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## With History at Issue, **Township Could Revisit Deer Path and Clover Lane**

The issue of whether to preserve a cluster of houses in Princeton Township's Littlebrook section is about to surface again, as Township Committee looks to continue a nearly three-year discussion on the aesthetic and historical merits of mid-century construction.

Members of the Township's Historic Preservation Commission are expected to be in attendance at Township Committee's February 11 meeting, and while it is not clear what type of presentation will be offered, officials familiar with the request to place historic designation on a cluster of 34 houses along Deer Path and Clover Lane said that the issue will likely be addressed.

But outright historic designation appears unlikely, in view of Committee's tepid May 2007 response to a municipally commissioned report that recommended that the group of houses, mostly built in 1954 and 1955, be deemed historic. The \$6,000 study by the Metuchen-based Arch2, Inc., determined that the neighborhood's primary structural characteristics: one-story rectangular ranches; horizontal siding; low-pitched gable, butterlly, or flat rools; carports; window placement; as well as landscaped lots set back from the street, qualified for preservation.

"The Deer Path and Clover Lane subdivision is architecturally significant for its representation of many of the architectural ideals that were prevalent in mid-twentieth century residential developments," wrote the report's lead investigator, Nancy Zerbe, who appeared before Township Committee's May 2007 hearing.

The development is also one of the few examples, the report says, of "Modern style subdivisions in the Princeton area and New Jersey.

"This subdivision was built at a time when public and funding agencies were reluctant to accept modern architecture, making it architecturally unusual."

The report did, however, acknowledge that homeowners would want to make physical changes, urging the HPC to accept "that individual houses will undergo alterations," but that the above characteristics should be preserved "to the extent

Residents along the tract were split almost solidly down the middle, and Committee has been sensitive to the apparent

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## Clinton, McCain Take N.J.; Obama Wins Princeton

Sen. Hillary Clinton won the New Jersey Democratic primary Tuesday night, with Sen. Barack Obama falling short in the state, as the pair squared off in 22 states across the country.

Sen. John McCain of Arizona easily won the state's Republican primary, taking 55 percent of the vote, with former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney coming in a distant second with 28 percent.

Ms. Clinton won New Jersey despite a late spike in national polls for Mr. Obama, the Illinois senator who campaigned in the Meadowlands Monday. As of 11 p.m., with 77 percent of precincts counted, Ms. Clinton had secured 53 percent of the vote, compared to Mr. Obama's 44 percent. The Associated Press declared Ms. Clinton the winner in the Democratic primary just before 10 p.m. A total of 107 of 127 of the Democratic delegates were at stake Tuesday. The remaining 20 delegates belong to party and elected officials who are not bound to one particular candidate.

Mr. McCain secured all of the Republican Party's 52 delegates.

It was a different slory in the Prince-

decisive victories in the Borough and Township. According to unofficial results in Princeton Township, Mr. Obama won 2,674 votes to Ms. Clinton's 1,476. In Princeton Borough, Mr. Obama won 1,548 votes to Ms. Clinton's 680. Despite having already dropped out of the race, Jormer North Carolina Sen, John Edwards received 28 votes.

In the Borough, Mr. Obama won 1,548 votes; Ms. Clinton received 680, and Mr. Edwards took 14 voles.

On the Republican state in the Township, Mr. McCain secured 590 votes and Mr. Romney received 240 votes

tons, however, where Mr. Obama won cast. Former Arkansas Gov Mike Huckabee received 53 votes. In the Borough, Mr. McCain took 216 votes, with Mr. Romney coming in second with 80 votes, and Mr. Huckabee receiving 25 votes.

> Mr. Obama won the county elections in Mercer County, taking 53 percent of the vote to Ms. Clinton's 46 percent.

> In both Princetons, voter lurnout was relatively high, with more than 50 percent of registered voters taking part in the primaries.

For complete results, go to www lowntopics.com.

-Matthew Hersh

## Koontz Launches Bid for Freeholder, Looking to Take on Party Stalwarts

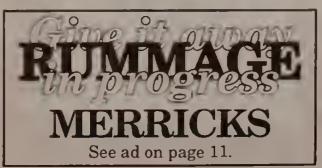
Andrew Koontz, the two-term Demo- has announced a reelection bid, the field crat on the Princeton Borough Council, announced Sunday that he would seek election to the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders this fall, squaring of against a strong slate of opponents.

Mr. Koontz seeks one of two seats up for election this year, both controlled by likely Democratic incumbents, Tony Mack and Lucy Walter. While neither candidate could become crowded it the two incumbents, Mr. Koontz, and potential candidates said to be weighing a run, all enter

Mr. Koontz, 40, was endorsed by the Princeton Community Democratic Organization's executive committee Sunday. The PCDO is stated to hold its tull



WELCOME TO THE PRIMARY: Tuesday's early turn-out for New Jersey's early primary was brisk. Voters in District 6 cast their ballots at Littlebrook School.





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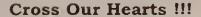
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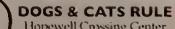
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LOTS OF POTENTIAL, 8UT QUESTIONS LOOM: Municipal officials are currently absorbing a recently released summary of Princeton University's campus pian. Above is a rendering of a redeveloped Oinky Station, the proposed heart of the University's planned arts and transit

## PU Campus Plan Looks 10 Years Ahead, **But Some Worry It Exceeds Town Goals**

Princeton University's The plan represents a set of unlikely. "Such a significant recently distributed townwide, outlines a comprehensive look at planned physical changes on campus, as well as changes in University policy, landscaping, architecture, and environment.

bold 10-year campus plan, goals first advanced in 2004 recently distributed town- when top University administrators said the school would abandon the idea of a mirror campus in West Windsor, favoring a more walkable campus that would impact about one-third of the school's 380-acre main

move was determined to be

premature," the plan reads,

adding that expansive de-

velopment, particularly new

infrastructure further than

a 10-minute walk from the

Frist Campus center - cen-

tral to the school's campus

plan — would "dilute the intimate character and col-

laborative spirit fostered by

Princeton's historically compact, walkable campus."

as to when University offi-

cials will meet again with the Planning Board, but it

appears that campus and

municipal planning will require extensive joint cho-

reographing, particularly

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No timetable has been set

**TOPICS** Of the Town

The school has hosted surface.

Last month, Marvin Reed, Master Plan.

couraged PU to coordinate its planning with the municipal master plan, which has yet to be updated in line with the school's current thinking.

The campus plan, Mr. Reed said, "Is inconsistent with the Community Master Plan. If the municipal governing bodies are to consider changes in existing zoning to accommodate the new University Campus Plan, the Community Master

While the campus master

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open houses and with the recent mailing has now summarized the thinking that formed the nucleus of the two-and-a-half-year campus plan effort while delineating the relevant campus "neighborhoods." However, as Princeton Borough and Township officials begin to digest the full scope of the plan and think about potential changes in zoning that would be necessary to accommodate the University's vision, concerns continue to

the former Borough mayor who chairs the Master Plan Subcommittee of the Regional Planning Board of Princeton, raised specific issues about the campus plan, particularly concerning the school's proposed arts neighborhood and a planned parking garage near lvy Lane and Western Way. In a more general sense, Mr. Reed echoed the doubts he had last year when the Planning Board was carrying out a routine update of the Princeton Community

At that time Mr. Reed en-

Plan should be revised."

plan has not explicitly ruled out the prospect of a mirror campus across Lake Carnegie, any significant development there in the next several decades appears



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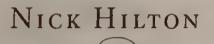
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concerning areas around the Dlnky station and Western Way. To further complicate matters, the Dinky area, the site of the University's planned arts and transit neighborhood and slated to be home to the new Peter B. Lewis Center for the Arts, straddles the Princeton ning Board may have — in Borough and Township municipal line. The Princetons will likely have to work in tandem while examining any changes there, similar to the rezoning of the University Medical Center at Princeton, In anticipation of residential development there once the hospital relocates.

A key component to fulfilling the University's needs for its proposed arts neighborhood is relocating the Dinky terminus about 470 feet south from its current location. Mr. Reed worried that relocating the station "not only proposes a longer walk, it makes the station far less viable as a community asset." He suggested a renovation of the existing buildings that make up the Dinky station there.

However, the University has maintained that relocating the Dinky is pivotal to redeveloping the entire area, which would include a transit plaza, with access to the Dinky, campus shuttles, buses, a community jitney, and taxis. The campus plan envisions new retail space "and other passenger ameni-ties," as well as a relocated, 24-hour Wawa.

Robert Durkee, Princeton University vice president and secretary, said in an e-mail that now that an architect has been identified for the design of some of the preliminary buildings In an arts and transit neighborhood, a community open house is scheduled for February 19. Further details are expected In the next week.

Steven Holl Architects was chosen to design those inltial academic buildings for Princeton University's new arts and transit neighborhood. Specifically, the firm will be responsible for designing several buildings to house the Program in Theater and Dance, components of the Department of Music, the Lewis Center for the Arts and the Society of Fellows in the Creative and Performing Arts. Encompassing an estimated 135,000 gross square feet, the preliminary plans include a black box theatre, a large dance studio, an orchestral rehearsal studio, several smaller acting stu-

practice rooms, classrooms, support spaces, a café, and offices.

Mr. Durkee observed that Mr. Reed "has asked excellent questions, and I think we have good answers.

"We look forward to answering the questions and others that the Planwriting, at a meeting, or both. At this point I don't know how the Planning Board wants to proceed, although we're certainly eager to continue the dialogue.

Mr. Durkee added that the distributed brochure is basically a summary and that the full plan "should be off the press in another few weeks.' The current plan can be viewed at www.princeton. edu/campusplan.

#### -Matthew Hersh

Another Inconvenient Truth: Wireless Technology and Health

The Lewis School will sponsor a seminar on electro-pollution factors and health at the Princeton Public Library on Tuesday, Feb-

dios, dance studios, music ruary 12, at 7 p.m. Speakers Magda Havas, of Trent University, Canada, a world renowned expert in the bioeffects of electrosmog, and Lisa Tully, a researcher from Boulder, Colorado, will address this emerging global public health issue.

The newest conundrum in the saga of energy and time efficiency is the fact that products such as energy efficient lights, cordless phones, microwaves, computers, and wireless technologies are exposing people to electrosmog. Dr. Tully noted that when these outside frequencies are introduced to our bodies, they interfere with cell-to-cell communication or in common terms, they "jam your circuits."

Dr. Tully is collaborating with several researchers to investigate ways to protect people from this increasing health hazard. She is convinced that, "although scientific evidence exists for the role of electrosmog as a serious health concern, the impact of long term exposure is yet to be determined.

## **Topics In Brief** A Community Bulletin

The Special Education Parent Teachers Organization will host a program on "Inclusive Practices in the Classroom" on Thursday, February 7, at 8 p.m. at the John Witherspoon Middle School library. Speakers will include Eileen Sanchez, a pre-K through 12th grade special education supervisor, and other staff. For more information, call (609) 921-0768, (609) 683-4938, or (609) 924-9301.

Gov. Jon Corzine will come to Mercer County this Saturday, February 9, as part of a 21-county, statewide tour to promote his financial restructuring and debt reduction plan in a series of town hall-style meetings. Mr. Corzine's Mercer County stop will be at Hightstown High School at 25 Leshin Lane in Hightstown, from 2 to 4 p.m. Residents who plan to participate in the town hall meeting are asked to RSVP by calling (609) 777-2513, writing to Mercer.rsvp@gov. state.nj.us, or by filling out the online form at www. state.nj.us/townhallmeetings/listing/.

Next Tuesday, February 12, at 12:15 p.m. in the Prince William Room of the Nassau Inn, the Rotary Club of Princeton will host guest speaker Bill Mealia, Rotary District 7510 Chairman for the Polio Eradication program known as PolioPlus. Mr. Mealia helped to raise \$650,000 in funds to benefit the global initiative by Rotary International to eradicate Polio. Rotary's Guest Speaker Series is open to the public. For more information, visit www.princetonrotary.org.

The Princeton Regional Board of Education will hold a Budget Workshop on Wednesday, February 13, at 6 p.m. at the Valley Road Administration Building. The purpose of the meeting, which is open to the public, is to discuss the 2008-9 budget. No action will be taken. Two of the main issues discussed at the Board's previous Budget Workshop, on January 28, were the disposition of the Valley Road Building, and plans for Pre-K programming. Under a new state mandate, the District is required to provide a full-day, Pre-K program for students from low-income families. Creating a new Pre-K program, and renovation and/or demolition of the Valley Road building will both impact the amount of money available for the coming budget year.

Mr. Simien will also take part in a musicians workshop and jam session on Thursday February 21 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Princeton Regional Schools Performing Arts Center (PRSPAC).

'We're very excited that they've made this commitment to us," said PRSPAC manager Cory Alperstein.

Terrance Simien and The "Mr. Simien has made it his personal mission to share indigenous American Creole culture and music with the world." Mr. Simien has visited Cuba for the U.S. State Department, and Mali and West Africa for Global Encounters, a distance-learning program sponsored by Carnegie Hall.

The February 22 performance will be the culmination of a three-day residence for Mr. Simien and his band. From February 20 through 22, they will meet with students throughout the Princeton Regional School system in workshops dubbed "informances" that chronicle the history of Zydeco music, and in community dialogues. "Zydeco," which is derived

from the French expression rector of the New Georges cert are \$25 for adults, \$25 les haricots ("beans") and, specifically, the expression les haricots sont pas salés" ("the beans aren't salty"), is a Creole, accordion-based musical genre.

#### Play Reading

PHS's observance of Black History Month will actually begin earlier this month on February 8, with staged readings of The Breach, a new play about the days foilowing Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans by Catherine Filloux, Tarell Alvin Mc-Craney, and Joe Sutton. Moving back and forth between three stories, said Ms. Alperstein, the play "takes extreme pain and makes it accessible to the audience.' There is, she noted, an "lmmediacy" about The Breach, as it juxtaposes personal family issues with the rising flood. "Water" is, in fact, a character in the play. In its exploration of the impact of Katrina, she sald, "the play asks hard questions about conspiracy theories, the nature of personal loss and the possibility of recovery for the people of New Orleans." The Breach premiered at the Southern Repertory Theatre in New Orleans last fall, and has evolved in response to feedback from various performances and readings.

Directed by Sarah Cameron Sunde, associate di-

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Theatre Company In New York City and performed by professional actors from the greater Princeton area, the staged readings will be prein the evening at 7:30 p.m. for the community. Admission to the evening performance is free, but space is limited, so reservations are recommended: call PRSPAC at (609) 806-4300, or go to community have been inwww.prspac.org.

Tickets for the benefit con-

for senior citizens, and \$10 for students. The box office in the lobby of the performing arts center on Walnut Lane will be open for ticket sented twice during the day sales Tuesday through Frifor PHS students, and again day, February 19 to 22, from 3 to 6 p.m., and on the evening of the 22nd from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

#### Community Effort

"So many people in the volved in putting together events for Black History

Month," noted Ms. Alperstein. In addition to the Princeton Regional Schools District and District Parent Teacher Organizations, the Princeton and Trenton 5 YWCA's Racial Justice Institute, the Princeton Human Services Commission, the Princeton Public Library, the Arts Council of Princeton, the Bank of Princeton, 2 McCaffrey's Supermarkets. and the Nassau Inn are all sponsors of events this

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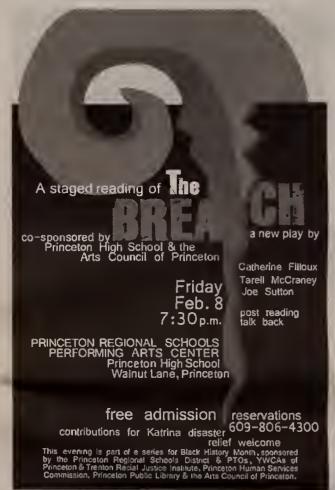
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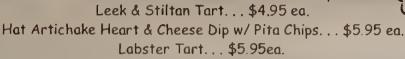
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Sons were born to Anne and Jeremy Hutton, Princeton, January 29; Kim Wobick and John Hernandez, Princeton, January 30; Karen and Eric Santini, Princeton Junction, January 30; and Asia Sheridan and Joseph Bridgeforth, Princeton, January 30.

## **Firewire**

The all-volunteer Princeton Fire Department responded to a variety of calls this week.

On Monday, January 28, crews were sent to a Quarry Street apartment building to investigate an odor of smoke in the first floor fover. There was no sign of smoke or fire, but crews used a thermal imaging camera to check for hidden fire. They found a fluorescent bulb had malfunctioned, causing some light smoke.

Crews were sent to a Stockton Street residence on Thursday, January 31 to check out a water leak. They found a toilet had broken and leaked water into the basement. They turned the toilet off.

Also on January 31, volunteers went to a Meetinghouse Court residence in response to smoke in the house and found that it was caused by a malfunctioning refrigerator motor.

On Friday, February I, crews responded to the Carl Icahn Laboratory on the Princeton University campus to help pump out the building after the loading dock flooded, and water leaked into the building.

The same day, volunteers were called to a Westcott Road residence after the sewer backed up into the toilet, leaking into a light fixture and into the basement. The homeowner was told to call an electrician to check on the light fixture.

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- Jody Nachman, New York City



"Overall, I believe that moving up the primaries is a good idea. It allows for a thinning of the field, so that the voters can concentrate on the candidates and make the best choice

Randy Hanks (with William), Hopewell



"I think that everyone will tire of the process a lot sooner. People will vote for whomever they want to.'

- Linda Mapes, Princeton



"I am not sure of the impact, but I am sure that there are very calculated reasons for pushing them up. This is typical of how governments work - changing the rules as things go along.

- Ehab Abousabe, Princeton



"I don't think that moving them up will make a difference, because I believe that people have already made their choices.

Dwayne Proctor, West Windsor



"I think it's a good thing that they have been moved up, because a few small states like Iowa and New Hampshire should not represent the whole country

Peggy Dye, Allentown

## Corner House Annual Fund-raiser Promises to be a 'Capitol' Affair

served for the Sunday morning talk shows, but those of — and for a good cause, to

The Corner House Founprofit municipal agency that offers counseling for and their families, is gearing up for its annual fund-raiser at McCarter Theatre. The \$125,000 campaign is only second to Corner House's annual mailing campaign.

The Foundation raises approximately one-quarter of the Corner House budget, with those monies redistributed to Princeton Borough and Township to offset the costs.

This year's fund-raiser, "Capitol Hijinks and Pri. Hull and James Alsup,

With presidential races mary Politics Win the Day," on everyone's minds these is being billed as an "alterdays, it only makes sense to nate political reality," with get people thinking about the February 20 show at Mc-Washington politics. Not Carter featuring the political the down-and-dirty kind re- satire group Capitol Steps singing parodies and performing skits all based on at 6 p.m. with a cocktall a more lighthearted variety inside-the-Beltway politics. Once composed entirely of former Congressional staffers, the group has moved and dessert and coffee afdation, the fund-raising arm beyond the Beltway, and, of Corner House, the non- according to Corner House executive director Gary De-Blasio, it should attract the adolescents, young adults, right crowd to serve the evening's purpose.

"It's a goodwilt event, but it keeps us visible in the community," Mr. DeBtasio said Monday. "It allows us to kind of shine for a while, meet and greet with etected officials, corporate donors, and people who really support our work. It's a nice event to just celebrate."

Corner House's 2008 attvolunteer Benefit Committee, headed up by Lynette

chiefly organized the event. They put this together, they did all the work," Mr. DeBlasio said. "Without our Foundation, we would never

The organization's fundraising goat for 2008 is \$250,000.

The fund-raiser will begin hour, fottowed by "Dinner on a Shtick" at 7 p.m., the main program at 8 p.m., terwards.

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-Matthew Hersh



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History at Issue

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lack of plurality, a fact that HPC member Robert von Zumbusch referred to in the last hearing, when he said that the governing body would likely be receptive to

Would likely be realistion.

"Let's be realistic about it, if all of the neighbors are sopposed, Township Committee will have to feel pretty strongly about this," Mr. von Zumbusch said last year. As for the HPC endorsement of Sine Arch2, "we have to take advice on technical merit," She said.

That concern was effec-Stively what led Commit-Steeman Chad Goerner to Scircumvent the prospect of

outright historic designation by suggesting a form of overlay zoning, particularly in the form of a conservation district that sets neighborhood standards less stringent than historic districts.

Both the Township attorney and the planning department have reviewed that Initiative.

The original subdivision property was part of the former Princeton Preparatory School campus, which declared bankruptcy in the 1930s and was obtained by Princeton Bank and Trust, and later sold to Edmund Cook, who had been developing single houses along Rollingmead throughout the

According to Ms. Zerbe's

report, Mr. Cook had come to an agreement in 1954 with developer Herbert Kendall and architect David Savage to build the 34-house development with various restrictions, including building houses no taller than one-and-a-haif stories, and building no closer than 10 feet to any lot line. Additionally, the total building area could not exceed 40 percent of the total lot land. While these binding stipulations were set at the time, they mostly expired on January 1, 1966.

-Matthew Hersh

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THEY'RE OFF AND SLURPING: Cheered on by the crowd, contestants in Sunday's Oyster Bowl IX at Blue Point Grill get down to business. According to Blue Point owner Jack Morrison, 6000 oysters were consumed, which would raise \$25,000, bringing the grand total up to \$100,000 to benefit Susan G. Komen For the Cure Central & South Jersey.

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## DAY'S WORK



**Edward Tenner** 

thile some people fall apart when their lives take an unexpected turn, others not only survive, but go on to be extraordinarily creative. Independent writer, speaker, and editor Edward Tenner believes that displacement can be a good thing, and that's the subject of his latest book, due out in 2009.

Mr. Tenner, author of the acclaimed books Our Own Devices: The Past and Future of Body Technology (Knopf, 2003), and Why Things Bite Bock: Technology and the Revenge of Unintended Consequences (Knopf, 1996), as well as a dazzling array of articles and reviews on subjects that range from the urban landscape of his native Chicago, to men's suits, to misplaced hype about new technology, is a familiar face in the Princeton community. He received his undergraduate degree from Princeton, and returned here ("home") after receiving his Ph.D. in history at the University of Chicago. For a number of years he was Science Editor at Princeton University Press. Now, books, articles, speaking engagements around the world, and a string of positions as a research associate or Fellow with Princeton departments ranging from Geosciences to the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, keep him preternaturally busy.

"When I start to get interested in a topic, I won't get off the scent," he recently observed, describing the meticulous preparation he does for the books and articles he writes on the pratfalls of new technology (there is, ironically, a "paradoxical proliferation of paper" as a result of the computer), or the unexpected consequences of how people respond to disasters; he adheres to historian William McNeil's theory of the "conservation of catastrophe," thus the disappointing trends in the use of

Mr. Tenner's variety of interests is clearly a key to what he is all about. "I like to range a lot," he observed. He "takes comfort in many disciplines," and learned early on that, unlike many of his classmates at Princeton and Chicago who went on to become ultra-specialists in their respective fields, he is happiest when he is free to roam. "It's hard to separate writing a book from other activities," he noted. He is, he said, always "on duty," taking "sideways glances at other things" as he travels, goes to museums, watches the international History Channel on television, reads the newspaper, or spends "whole mornings or afternoons" at the library working on his book

A regular part of his routine these days is the daily perusal of newspaper obituaries, not for morbid reasons, but to discover lives that illustrate the thesis of the book (he prefers not to disclose the title) he is working on. There is, he noted, a probable link between his avid interest in how people turned adverse situations into wonderfully productive ones. He found himself adrift in the job-market-challenged 1970s, feeling as if he were not "particularly 'resilient'" at the time. His success as Science Editor at Princeton University Press (including a best-selling compilation of the late physicist Richard Feynman's work, and an award-winning book he literally cut and pasted from a misshapen manuscript) helped him to discover what he really enjoyed and did well. He is anxious to dispel the "pernicious" myth that "unless you punch your ticket in the right places" (e.g., go to all the right schools), you're a failure.

Mr. Tenner, who enjoys swimming and hiking, described himself as being interested in "real time history." He takes a "historian's sensibility," he said, and looks at what is happening. "I see trends that have not been named," he notes, but wryly concedes that he cannot predict the outcome of the coming election, nor the future of big companies. "I'd have a big house in Princeton if I could do that." He believes "in being hopeful" about the future, which is not, he notes, the same as being optimistic. What he is optimistic about is "people's ability to deal creatively with adversity.

Mr. Tenner's web page address is www.edwardtenner.com.

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resident Bertha Toussaint, and son of Princeton High School graduate Romy Toussaint, has won the 2nd Na-World" High School Public on Wednesday. Speaking Competition.



**Phillip Annand** 

Phillip, a senior in Ellen Chepiga's public speaking class at Lawrence High School (LIJS), will receive a \$40,000 scholarship to the college/university of his choice, and Lawrence High-School will receive \$5,000.

High school students from around the country uploaded videos in this "You Tube" meets "American Idol"-style competition, and the final. Miss., to assist with the Hur-

Phillip Annand, grand- ists performed their speechson of longtime Princeton es live on Monday, January 21, Dr. King's birthday, on Richard Greene's WWRL-AM 1600 national radio program, Clout! Winners were tional "Words that Shook the announced on the program

Past and current judges for the competition have included Sting, Erin Brockovich, ABC White House Correspondent Ann Compton; Chief Judge of the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals Billy Wilkins; motivational speaker Tony Robbins; actor Ray Romano, actress Mellssa Fitzgerald, best known for her role on The West Wing as Carol Fitzpatrick, and Mark LeBlanc, President of the National Speakers Association.

In addition to participating in public speaking events, Phillip, an honors student throughout high school, was voted this year's LHS Homecoming King. He is a captain on the varsity hasketball team, and an allstate varsity soccer player. An entrepreneur and a soclal activist, he created his own company, Award Tour brand of clothing (www. theawardtour.com), and has been co-owner of a disc jockey company that has entertained at big and small events for five years. During his sophomore year, Phillip, who is the oldest of lour brothers, went to Gulfport,

ricane Katrina relief effort. Last summer, he volunteered at a camp in Coatesville, Pennsylvania for children whose parents are incarcerated. He also volunteers as a counselor with the Lindsay Meyer Teen Institute, a drug- and alcohol-free student group. Phillip wants to study graphic design and minor in business,

Hear Phillip's entry by going to www.wordsthatshook theworld.com.

#### PDS Mock Trial Team Advances to Finals

Princeton Day School's Mock Trial Team on Wednesday captured the Mercer County Champlonship, with senlor Ben Fisch of Princeton named Outstanding Participant in the county.

Princeton Day School (PDS) is undefeated in Mercer County mock trial competition since 2005. The 11student team now advances to the Central New Jersey Regional Tournament next month.

"I'm very proud of this amazing team," said Upper School Teacher Barbara Walker, "Mock trial requires a keen ability to synthesize and analyze information, think logically, and communicate effectively. These students take their roles seriously and always come prepared to do their best."

PDS competed in the finals agalnst Notre Dame High School after besting Hamilton West High School, the Lawrenceville School, and Stuart Country Day School in earlier rounds.

The Mercer County Mock Trial competition is sponsored by the New Jersey Bar Association.

"Mock trial competition requires students to be well informed and able to think on their feet," said Head of Upper School Carlton Tuck-"These students have proved they are champions at both."

#### Dean's Lists

Bucknell University, in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, recently released its dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2007-08 academic year. Students on the list from the Princeton area include Rachel B. Axelrod, Kathryn A. Batchelor, Daniel T. Cavallaro, Jessica M. Cellars, Lauren N. Gram, Alexandra R. Gutowski, John S. Morrison III, and Allison C. Posta.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison has recognized area resident Lindsay Lang. don March of the School of Education on its Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2007-2008 academic year.

Robert J. Smyth made the Dean's List at Curry College in Milton, Massachusetts for the 2007 fall term. Mr. Smyth, a second semester sophomore, is a Communications, major, concentrating on broadcast

offices in Princeton and Philadelphia, has promoted Vashtie Coeler to director of marketing and communications. Ms. Coefer previously served as the firm's overall planning, developof all of KSS's marketing designs and website.

KSS Architects, an archi-strategies, communications, tectural design firm with and public relations activities. Additional responsibilities include facilitating and implementing the annual marketing plan; planning and administering the firm's marketing budget; organizmarketing manager for five ing client relations activiyears. In her new role she ties; supervising the firm's will be responsible for the request for proposal (RFP) process; and overseeing ment, and implementation the firm's communications



SCOUT'S HONOR: Richie von der Schmidt, of Princeton Borough, was recently awarded the rank of Eagle Scout, the Boy Scouts' highest honor. For his service project he and his group of volunteers built four wooden benches that were anchored along the James C. Sayer trail at Mountain Lakes Preserve. Pictured here at the awards ceremony held on January 11 are Congressman Rush Holt (left) and Richie.



LEGAL EAGLETS: POS Mock Trial Team members include (from left): Alon Oebiche, Adam Fisch, Lauren Berk, Sophia Welssmann, Matt Oresky, Aditi Juneja, Greg Francfort, Ben Fisch, Pete Travers, Sleven McCarron, and Paul Mannino.

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Similarly, imagine an architect who has nover litted a stone

or physically used a tool. How can he or sho uncover hiddon elements that make a house a home, and not simply a shelter from the weather? I think every house has something special to offer if the architectican tiphysically use the tools and understand how the house was built, how can he or she discover what lies beneath? There are things that can make a building unique that are intrinsic or notural to the house. Somotimes it's the surrounding

environment a garden or the neighborhood location that isn't readily thought about That creates Interest or value

The simplest elements can attentimes be overlooked for example, a fireplace mantle, a stair rolling, on archway or a view through a special window. These teatures can inspire a whole design in themselves or offer a tocal point from which to start. Uncovering these hidden elements can lend a romantic teeling or offer a conversation piece that affaches your heart to your homo

Let's dlg deeply to investigate what makes your home special. Sometimes, just the day-today grind can leave you avertooking an unidentified asset that could be staring you right in the face. Maybe you've torgotten what made your house wonderful to begin with. I can help you rediscover or uncover these elements and begin to incorporate them into a new design perspective

home with tools in hand. Many unique, inspliting scenarios surfaced. Crawling into the crawlspace of a 1950's home, I turned up a small wine collar that was long ago torgotten. Under a sink cupboard in a cellor flound an old yellow ware vase that inspired a collection ond color scheme for a room. After steaming layers and layers of wallpaper from an older colonial home, the original wallpaper resurtaced. I brought this to the owner's attention, she had the swotch tramed and now enjoys a conversation piece for that room. On another occasion. I found an old postcard wedged into a seam of a fireplace mantle. At my own taim, an old cast Iron toot warmer was still intact, wedged between old bricks. Previous owners had never taken the time to look and examine something that was right

One of the most memorable design solutions was when I was warking on a new home. The client had purchased a 16th century Gothic fireplace mantle. This mantle gave me the Inspiration for wall paneling and entryways into the room. By using some of the details, it developed a style for the room which made it unique. Even though the freplace was from the 1500's. I was able to incorporate it into a totally new setting. This story illustrates the fact that hidden assets are not exclusively limited to older homes. Fireplace stones seem to be the most common due to the fact that they are often the "Heart of the Home" There are always many exciting elements for exploration if you dig deep enough. Leaving

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## **Police Blotter**

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Azuceno Portillo, 32, of Princeton Township, was arrested January 26, at 10:11 a.m., police said, for allegedly trying to steal groceries from McCaffrey's Supermar-ket valued at \$200.76. According to police, Ms. Portillo, left the grocery store with a cart full of groceries. When police arrived, she then allegedly gave a fake name and address. Ms. Portillo was charged with shoplifting and hindering apprehension and was later released pending a court date.

Alexander Road between University Place and Faculty Road was closed for about two-and-a-half hours after 2 p.m. on January 31, after Hector Munoz Muralles, 38, of Princeton Borough, while trying to cross Alexander Road at an unmarked crossing, was struck by a 1997 Saturn, driven by Thomas Leonard, 46, of Bridgewater. Mr. Muralles suffered head injuries, and was described as "seriously injured" by police. The Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad took him to Capital Health System-Fuld Campus. The accident is still under investigation.

The Princeton Township Police Department reported the following warrant arrests:

 Jessica M. Scully, 19, of Montgomery, on January 29, at 1:49 p.m., for an \$89 outstanding traffic warrant out of Princeton Borough. Ms. Scully was unable to post bail and was transported to the Princeton Borough Police Department;

Shreeve Barton, 41, of Hamilton, on January 31, at 2:06 p.m., for \$259 in combined warrants out of Trenton and Upper Freehold municipal courts.

#### Princeton Borough

Uzoamaka Maduka, 20, of Princeton Borough, was arrested January 27, at 2:04 p.m., for disorderly conduct after police received a call complaining of a disorderly group of people at the Carousel Restaurant at 182 Nassau Street. Ms. Maduka, police said, was arrested when she allegedly obstructed the investigation. She was taken to Borough Police headquarter and was later released.

Olivio Alvarado-Ruiz, 47, of Trenton, was arrested January 29, at 11:41 a.m., for allegedly showing police a fake Guatemalan driver's license during a Harrison Street motor vehicle stop.

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Jose Gonzalez, 18, of West Windsor, was arrested January 30, at 4:50 p.m., for allegedly showing police a fake Mexican driver's license during a Bayard Lane motor vehicle stop.

Anthony Pirone, 48, of Princeton Township, was arrested January 30, at 9:59 p.m., for DWI, following a Houghton Road motor vehicle stop.

Aditya Desai, 20, of Princeton Borough, was arrested January 31, at 9:29 p.m. following an Olden Street pedestrian stop for allegedly carrying alcoholic beverages. Ms. Desai, was charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol, taken to Borough Police headquarters and later released.

The Princeton Borough Police Department reported the following warrant

Benjamin Farber, 26, of Princeton Township, on January 30, at 9:19 a.m., for \$1,950 in combined warrants out of Linden and Mantoloking municipal courts:

John Madden, 56, of Trenton, on January 31, at 8:01 p.m., for a \$636 warrant out of Lawrence Township Municipal Court. Mr. Madden was held in lieu of posting

#### CORRECTION

Due to an administrative error, Princeton Borough Police falsely reported last week that Borough resident Susan Lehnhardt had been arrested for DWI. According to police, Ms. Lehnhardt, who had been pulled over for a traffic violation on January 28, was neither intoxicated at the time, nor was she charged for driving while intoxicated. (MH)

## Rescue Report

The Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad responded to 39 calls for service last

On Saturday afternoon, January 26, the Squad was dispatched when a woman fell, struck her head on the floor, and experienced a two-minute seizure. The crew found the patient complaining of pain in her head, neck, back, and hip, and secured her to a spinal immobilization device before transporting her to the University Medical Center at Princeton (UMCP).

On Sunday January 27, the Squad responded for an individual who reportedly fell down a half-flight of stairs. The patient was found conscious but non-verbal, lying face down on the middle landing with a bloody nose. The crew carefully secured him to a spinal immobilization device and transported him to UMCP.

On Monday January 28, the Squad responded for two workers injured in a construction accident. According to reports, a boom lift fell, striking both men. One patient was hit in the head and lost consciousness for a few minutes. The crew found him confused with pain in his back and an ankle injury. He was secured to a spinal immobilization device and transported to Capital Health Systems' Fuld Campus. Suffering back and hip pain, the second patient was transported to UMCP for evaluation.

On Friday morning, February 1, the Squad was dispatched for an elderly man who had fallen approximately eight hours earlier. The patient reported that he could not get up and had not wanted to call for help at the time of the fall. After being assisted getting up, he refused further medical attention.

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#### **Area Community Foundation Announces Grant Awards**

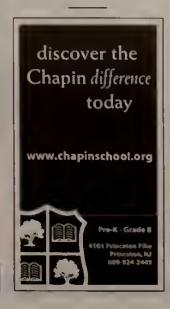
Princeton Area Community Foundation (PACF), the community foundation serving Mercer County and central New Jersey, today announced that for the year 2007, The Community Foundation made 731 grants totaling \$2,558,174 from its 200 charitable funds which hold over \$55 million in as-

The Community Foundation collaborates with the Harbourton Foundation which adds support to the Greater Mercer Grants program. This year 21 Community Foundation funds generated \$900,000 for local non-profits distributed through a competitive process. Successful competitive grants were chosen for their positive impact on the local community within the Community Foundation's service area, from Lambertville to Hightstown.

The 2007 Fall greater Mercer grants included Hands on Helpers, Princeton, \$35,000 for its volunteer-outreach campaign and expanded nonprofit training; the Princeton Center for Leadership Training, \$32,000 for its program, "Collaborating for Student Success at Trenton Central High School"; the Princeton Nursery School, \$15.000 for its Childhood Intervention Initiative (with Trinity Counseling Service & Family & Children's Services); the Arts Council of Princeton, \$10,000 for its Youth Art-Reach with Princeton Young Achievers Program; Princeton Young Achievers, \$15,000, for "Creative Fridays"; and the YWCA Princeton and Trenton, \$30,000 for The Racial Justice institute: building relationships across communities and learning to speak with one voice in raising awareness about racism, prejudice, and bias.

PACF's Fund for Women and Girls grantees included: Princeton HiTOPS, \$10,000 for Latina Health Education and Empowerment Project for Trenton girls; and Young Audiences of NJ, Princeton, \$5,000 for "Pixel National Gurlz," a video-based pro-gram for middle school girls to bultd self-esteem and character.

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#### Sautéed Jerusalem Artichokes and Walnuts

from Ann Cashion, cheflowner of Cashion's Eat Place in Washington DC

Reprinted with permission from Cooking Fresh from the Mid-Atlantic: Tantalizing recipes, celebrated chefs, and conversations on the essential nature of small-scale farming (Eating Fresh Publications, 2002)

Chef Ann Cashion's straightforward approach to preparing simple, delicious food has won her high praise from the nation's top food magazines. Her quick and simple treatment of Jerusalem artichokes allows their nutty, sweet flavor to shine. Also known as sunchokes, Jerusalem artichokes are a great winter vegetable and a good source of iron and potassium.

Serves 4 as a side dish I lb Jerusalem artichokes 1/3 cup walnuts 2 large garlic cloves I tblsp olive oil Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste



Choose artichokes that are fresh and crisp. Scrape them with a paring knife to remove skin (if the skin is thick, you may need to peel it off entirely). Slice into thin cross sections, which will be irregularly shaped rounds. With a very sharp knife, slice the walnuts into thin cross sections. Finely mince the garlic.

To cook, heat the olive oil in a saute pan over medium heat. Add the garlic and, as it starts to turn golden, add the sliced artichokes and walnuts. Toss to prevent the garlic from burning. Sauté until the chokes are just tender and the walnuts lightly toasted. This is a matter of minutes, so do this when you are ready to serve. Season with salt and pepper

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## College of New Jersey Program Readies Students for Urban Teaching

try to light the flame," ex- with area urban teachers, do the same. "The kids are Recruitment Coordinator for early intervention teachers, the Urban Teacher Acad- guidance counselors, teachemy, a two-week summer ers of English as a Second cludes consideration of the program for high school juniors based at The College ministrators. "We don't sugar of New Jersey (TCNJ).

Now in its third year, the program will run this summer from July 7 to 18. experience life on a college campus, participate in field trips to urban institufor autistic children to the Trenton Soup Kitchen, and learn to teach. The program culminates in a day themselves. of students teaching young summer campers classes in our own teachers," he noted, math, science, and physical education, areas that are next decade there will be particularly under-served 2.4 million job openings for by current teachers in urban environments.

quirements needed to be- school principal, Mr. Fieber

plained Laurence R. Fieber, special education teachers, Language, and school adcoat anything," commented Mr. Fieber, who described how students are asked to confront their own precon-During this time, students ceived notions about the urban environment, racial issues, and their relationships with children. By the tions ranging from a school end of the two weeks, "barriers are broken down," Mr. Fieber said, "and students know how to look beyond

"We are 'home growing' pointing out that during the teachers, with "only one million in the pipeline." Other During their time in the states like South Carolina, Urban Teacher Academy Louisiana, Arizona, Virginprogram, students learn ia, Illinois, and Florida have about child development, begun initiatives to address urban poverty, and the re- this shortage. A former high

'Our program is where we come a teacher. They meet would like to see New Jersey there," he said. "it's a question of tapping into them."

'Tapping into them" instories, told in their application essays, as well as their grade point averages. "We're looking for kids who really feel they have a calling," observed Mr. Fieber. The program casts a wide net: last year it drew from 26 high schools. "We don't exclude anyone," noted Mr. Fieber. "Kids are kids every-

In its first year the program received 52 applications and admitted 31 students. Last year 46 students were accepted from 130 applications. Mr. Fieber isn't sure how many places there will be for "the record number" of applicants this year, but it is his hope that the program will be expanded to other colleges in the state, so more students can be accommodated. The program is unrelated to "Teach for America," a preparatory program for college gradu-

Students accepted in the Urban Teacher Academy attend tuition-free, with expenses for books, materials, food, and field trips covered by a Teacher Quality **Enhancement Recruitment** Grant awarded to TCNJ by the U.S. Department of Education in cooperation with the New Jersey Department of Education. Each student will also receive a \$250 Incentive award for the successful completion of the program.

In addition to offering similar summer programs at other New Jersey coileges. Mr. Fleber looks forward to a time when there will be money to make teacher training a regular part of the high school curriculum. Nearly 40 districts have already expressed interest in a pilot program for training "tomorrow's teachers." The state's first "Future Educators' Conference," to be held on May 23 at TCNJ, is evidence of the growing interest in training young people to be teachers. Over 250 students are expected to attend the program.

'There's not a lot of money in it, but there is a lot of reward," said Mr. Fleber, calling himself "a life-altering kind of guy." At the end of the two weeks, he said, he teils students who have completed the program, "you all owe me," and he asks them to send him an email as soon as they get their first teaching job. "If there's any way for me to get there, I want to come and wish you well." Even if program graduates don't go into teaching, he adds, they are "better people" for having been through the training.

The website for the Urban Teachers Academy is www. tcnj.edu/-educat/urban/index.html

-Ellen Gilbert

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## Mailbox

# Opponents of Ridge Senior Housing Seen as "Out of Sync with Reality"

To The Editor:

Something doesn't add up here. Every time an opportunity comes along for senior housing to be built in Princeton, a faction comes out to protest. We have seen NIMBYs and environmentalists, to name only two. Where are these devoted protectors of the community when a builder erects a monstrosity, otherwise called a "mega-mansion," that is perceived as increasing their own property value? Why are the good neighbors who rail about flooding only organized in the face of a senior development, and not present at every zoning, planning, and/or committee meeting to seek redress for their dire situation? They have flooding now, so the debate should not be about something that doesn't yet exist.

The Princeton master plan cites as goals that we "maintain a balanced community that offers a mix of land uses while providing appropriately scaled community infrastructure and services." We are fortunate that we live in a community whose officials are devoted to providing open space — both visual and recreational. But Princeton is a community that boasts a world-class university, an Institute for Advanced Study, a theological seminary, a college for music study, and many other drawing cards. The people who come here, work here, and volunteer here, also, not surprisingly, want to live here. Alas, when they can no longer manage a standalone house they are sorely out of luck, unless they qualify for subsidized housing. Seniors who can afford market-rate housing (apartments) just can't find any here.

The planned senior housing is environmentally friendly, and more caring for its neighborhood than many of the existing buildings on the "Ridge." Bunn Drive is not exactly a nature preserve. The sometimes acrimonious voices that ring out against it are curiously out of sync with reality.

SUSAN B. LOEW Overbrook Drive

# Institute Housing Should Avoid Site Of Historic Revolutionary War Battle

To the Editor

On behalf of the Princeton Battlefield Society, I'm writing to point out some discrepancies in your article related to Princeton Battlefield and the proposed Institute for Advanced Study housing development.

Our organization has been working hard for several decades to preserve and protect the Battlefield Park and surrounding land.

Unfortunately, the IAS has been trying to minimize the public outcry opposing their potential desecration of hallowed ground in order to move forward with their plan to construct 15 new homes to accommodate faculty. Terms like "proximity to the site" and "in an area not directly adjacent to the battlefield" continue to support a factually incorrect position the IAS has taken.

We are dealing with two separate areas of the battlefield—the actual Battlefield Park and the adjacent areas that are currently owned by the IAS, where critical fighting took place during Washington's first victory over the British Regulars in January 1777.

To set the record straight, the bulldozers will be disturbing actual ground where British soldiers and American patriots sacrificed their lives.

It is also important to understand that the Institute did not "turn over" the 589 acres of woodland and farmland and in fact was well compensated for the development rights. That acreage is still a part of the Institute property and is still being used for the original intent, of providing an area of contemplation and relaxation for its faculty. The donated portion of the land to the Park was very small in comparison.

As a preservation organization, we are not questioning whether the IAS has a right to build faculty housing. We object strongly to the location of the proposed development and the misinformation currently accepted as fact as a means of minimizing public opposition. We should be working together to find a reasonable solution that involves IAS building on another portion of the vast expanse of the property. If the Institute's own study proved that actual fighting took place where they want to dig foundations, we can't sit back as responsible Princeton residents and allow decisions to be made based on a misunderstanding of the facts.

BILL SPADEA Vice President, Board of Trustees Princeton Battlefield Society



To the Editor:

The latest round of public hearings with respect to the proposed ordinance amendments for the senior housing overlay zone has, as usual, resulted in bitterness and frustration on all sides. This is predictable, as is the planned legal action to derail what can only be described as overreaching by Township Committee on a site riddled with difficulty. That citizens feel obligated to pursue a lawsuit is itself significant and speaks to the growing sense that reasonable voices are not being heard, or heeded, in this forum. However, there may be a compromise solution that most sides can live with, if not fully support, if Township Committee were truly interested in addressing this reportedly pressing need.

The site is large, at over 20 acres, and portions of it, as Mr. Hillier has recognized, are more amenable to construction than others. As an architect, I envision a more modest development, dedicated to the senior citizens Princeton Township has pledged to provide for. The building would be a simple affair, linear, four stories, and arranged in such a way as to capture the sun on one side and provide open views to the adjacent park on the other. The walls would be clad in natural wood siding, with "green screen" accents. Parking would be a mix of below grade and shielded surface parking. Large and important trees would be retained, with an eye towards maintaining a connected canopy. LEED standards would be seriously considered and thoughtfully applied. Most importantly, there would be 75 units, not 158. This can be accomplished in a much smaller complex, especially if the units are modest. Smaller units mean lower sale costs.

With 75 units here, a larger portion of the site can be preserved, and the Township Committee will have lived up to its previous and longstanding commitments to its own Master Plan. The Lowes, tract owners, will be more than duly enriched by one housing development on this site. Remember, the value of the land is directly attributable to the Committee's overlay, which was itself arbitrary. A downward modification of that overlay still results in an increased value of the property relative to its underlying

What is needed in Princeton is a variety of housing alternatives for seniors, not a single mega-development that will only be delayed by legal challenges, causing all sides to dig in further. Here is an opportunity to work together to achieve it.

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We'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those who attended, our sponsors, and our donors. We deeply appreciate this community support. We look forward to seeing everyone next year.

**CAROL GOLDEN** SANDY TAIT Co-presidents Princeton Regional Scholarship Foundation

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### Koontz Launches

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endorsement vote for county and state elected positions on March 1. He will seek the endorsement of the Mercer County Democratic Committee at its party convention on March 15.

While Mr. Koontz, who was sworn into a second Borough Council term last month, would appear to have homegrown support, he acknowledged in an interview that squaring off against county heavyweights would present its own challenges.

"This isn't going to be an easy thing — going up against incumbents — but we'll see how it goes," he said, adding that he had not seriously considered a run until last month, when several potential candidates began to surface. "We were seeing a contested race, so I decided to get involved and I'm in strongly," Mr. Koontz

Mr. Koontz Is a known commodity beyond Borough boundaries, something he said he would tout during his run. The Princeton Borough Democratic chairman since 1997, he was also a threetime president of the PCDO, as well as the former executive director of the Mercer County Democratic Committee, and a current member of the State Democratic Committee.

'I'm not out there introducing myself as an unknown, so it's building on my record" within the party, he said. Mr. Koontz added that his run did not represent "an axe to grind" with the incumbents or other Democratic officials, "but about wanting to do a good job on behalf of the party.

Locally, he is known as a founder and president of the non-profit Princeton Parks Alliance, whose signature

Palmer Square

effort was the lighting of the Princeton Battle Monument at Borough Hall.

A former CBS News television producer who teaches TV production at Winslow Township High School, Mr. Koontz was first appointed to Council in 2004 to fill a vacancy, and was then elected to a full term later that year. He said he would resign his post if elected to the County freeholder board. In the event of a vacancy on the governing body, the Princeton Borough Democratic Committee, which Mr. Koontz chairs, would be responsible for recommending a replacement. Mr. Koontz said it was "too early" to speculate about Council appointees, but seemed to indicate that in the event of his election, he would not be involved in choosing his own replacement.

On the issues, Mr. Koontz said that he would emphasize the Princetons use of joint services and help to translate that to the county level. "In Princeton, we're quite good about regionalization and providing regional services. I want to talk about how tightly we have to squeeze the dollar."

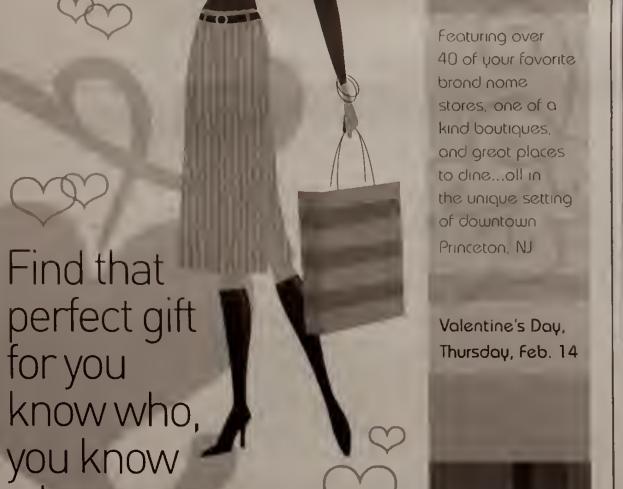
Mr. Koontz also mentioned strain on local roadways, mass transit, and emergency management, as other key issues in his campaign.

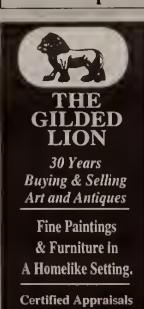
A campaign kick-off is scheduled for Sunday, February 10, at 7 p.m. at the lvy lnn, 248 Nassau Street, in downtown Princeton. Mr. Koontz, who took part in a St. Patrick's Day beard growing contest last year, will get into the spirit at his kick-off event playing traditional Irish songs on his

-Matthew Hersh

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10:15 a.m.: Chinese New Year celebration; Princeton Senior Resource Center, Suzanne Patterson Building.

7 p.m.: Darla Rich Quartet; Fedora Cafe, Lawrencev-

7:30 p.m.: Edward Albee's Me, Myself and I; Berlind Theatre. Also Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.: Talk by James Harford, author of Merton ond Friends: A Joint Biogrophy of Thomas Merton, Robert Lox, and Edward Rice; Princeton Public Library. Free.

#### Tbursday, February 7

7 p.m.: Screening of No. End in Sight; Princeton Public Library. Free.

7:30 p.m.: Rider University Gallery Concert Series, music of the 17th century; Rider University Art Gallery, Lawrenceville.

7:30 p.m.: Andrew Lloyd Webber's CATS; Sovereign Bank Arena, Trenton.

8 p.m.: Special Education PTO meeting; John Witherspoon Middle School.

8 p.m.: AEROS, Romanian gymnastic dance troupe; State Theatre, New Bruns-

8 p.m.: Sharon Silverstein and The Peace Proiect; Smail World Coffee, 14 Witherspoon Street.

#### Friday, February 8

7 p.m.: Young Artists international benefit concert; Mercer Oaks Golf Course Clubhouse, West Windsor.

7 p.m.: Smokey Joe's Cofe; Bucks County Country Club, Jamison, Pa. Also Saturday at noon and 6 p.m., Sunday at 5 p.m.

7:30 p.m.: Staged reading of The Breoch, co-Sponsored by Arts Council of Princeton; Performing Arts Center, Princeton High School. Free.

7:30 p.m.: Opera New Jersey's Rigoletto; McCarter Theatre.

7:30 p.m.: World Championship Ice Racing; Sovereign Bank Arena, Trenton.

8 p.m.: Driving Miss Doisy; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

## SENIOR CITIZENS CALENDAR

Wednesday, Feb 6- Wednesday, Feb 13

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#### Wednesday, February 6:

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10:30 a.m. Let's Talk: RC. 11:45 a.m. Memoir Writing; SC.

Memory Improvement; SPB. 1:00 p.m. Art with Bob; SPB. 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 7: 10:00 a.m. Bridge Coaching; SPB. 10:00 a.m. Computer Basics; SPB

10:30 a.m. Yoga: SPB. 1:00 p.m. Art with Hannah; SPB.

Bridge, sanctioned; SPB. 1:00 p.m. Friday, February 8:

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1:00 p.m. Senior Citizens Club; SPB. Monday, February 11:

Aerobics; SPB. 9:15 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Group Drumming; SPB. 10:30 a.m. Beginning English; HBH. 11:30 a.m.

Chair Exercise; SC. 12:30 p.m. American Literature for ESL; SPB.

12:30 p.m. Tax Help; SC.

1:00 p.m. Caregivers Support; SPB. 1:00 p.m. Bereavemeni Support; SPB. Wonder of Wordplay; SPB 1:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m. Yoga; HBH. Tuesday, February 12:

Strength Training; SPB. 11:00 a.m. Bridge; SPB. 1:00 p.m. Computer Lab; SPB. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. Literature; SPB.

Wednesday, February 13: 9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB. 10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; RC Memoir Writing; SC. 11:45 a.m.

Memory Improvement; SPB. 1:00 p.m. Art with Bob; SPB. 1:30 p.m. Let's Talk in English; SC 1:30 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC 3:00 p.m.

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8 p.m.: Senior thesis production of Heddo Gabler; Matthews Acting Studio, 185 Nassau Street. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: Trinity Irish Dance Company; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 and 10:30 p.m.; Jackie Kashian with Keith Anthony; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30

#### Saturday, February 9

2 p.m.: Princeton String Academy; Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Princeton Junction. Free.

2 p.m.: An Afternoon of One Act Ploys; Heritage Center, 635 North Delmorr atre, New Brunswick. Avenue, Morrisville, Pa. Also Sunday at 2 p.m.

2 and 7:30 p.m.: A Year With Frog ond Toad; Mc-Carter Theatre. Also Sunday at 3 p.m.

6:30 p.m.: Dick Braytenbah Trio with Tony Mennella; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell.

7:30 p.m.: Absolutely o Coppello! concert with Princeton Girlchoir, University of Pennsylvania's Off the Beat, and Rutgers University's Deep Treble; Performing Arts Center, Princeton High School.

8 p.m.: Princeton Singers' Valentine's Concert; Johnson Education Center, D&R Greenway Land Trust, 1 Preservation Place

8:30 p.m.: The Billies country band; Small World

8 p.m.: Dance improv, Coffee, 14 Witherspoon Princeton University Street.

### Sunday, February 10

1 to 3 p.m.: Open House; The Lewis School of Princeton, 53 Bayard Lane.

2 p.m.: Arts Council of Princeton screening of A Time For Burning; con-TEMPORARY Arts Center, Princeton Shopping Center.

3 p.m.: Princeton Society of Musical Amateurs; Unitarian Church, 50 Cherry Hill Road.

3 p.m.: Princeton University Department of Music student recital with Carolyn Wu '08, piano and violin; Faplin Auditorium. Free.

3 p.m.: Westminster Conservatory faculty recital with Seth Rosenthal, flute, and Suzanne Lehrer, piano; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

3 p.m.: Westminster Conservatory Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra; Gill Memorial Chapel, Rider University, Lawrenceville.

3 p.m.: Opera New Jersey's Rigoletto; State The-

3 p.m.: Princeton Rep Company's PlayLAB staged reading series, Mark Leiren-Young's Shylock; Princeton Public Library.

3 p.m.: Book Discussion/ signing with James McBride, author of Song Yet Sung; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair, Route 1.

3:30 p.m.: Princeton Girlchoir's Grace Notes and Semi-Tones, "Young Voices United in Song"; Richardson Auditorium.

5 p.m.: Talk, "Opera and Carnival in Venice," by Wendy Heller, Princeton University associate professor of music; Dorothea's House.

#### Monday, February 11

7:30 p.m.: Second Chance Cinema screening of The Wind Thot Shakes the Borley; Kresge Auditorium,

## Tuesday, February 12

5:30 p.m.: Township Housing Board; Township Municipal Complex.

7:30 p.m.: Edward Albee's Me, Myself and I; Berlind Theatre. Also Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m.; Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Department of Music Composers' Ensemble Concert; Taplin Auditorium.

## Wednesday, February 13

Noon: Noontime Recital Series with a cappella trio Women in a Chord; Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church. Free.

4:30 p.m.: Readings by Etgar Keret, fiction writer, and Phillip Lopate, essayist, novelist, and poet; Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

7 p.m.: Screening of Parts I and II of Spike Lee's When the Levees Broke: A Requiem in Faur Ports; Princeton Public Library. Conclusion Thursday, February 14 at 7 p.m. Free.

7:30 p.m.: Faculty Recital with duo pianists Phyllis Alpert Lehrer and Ena Bronstein Barton; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

Theatre; McCarter Theatre. Also Thursday at 8 p.m.

#### Thursday, February 14

6:30 p.m.: Dick Braytenbah Trio with Tony Mennella; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell.

8 p.m.: The Secret Gorden; Mount-Burke Theater, Peddie School, Hightstown. Also Friday and Saturday at

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day and Saturday at 8 p.m. \$

#### Friday, February 15

7 p.m.: Drama, Ah, Fatal Night: The Last Hours of George Washington; Old Barracks Museum, Trenton. Also Sunday at 7 p.m. For reservations, call (609) 396-

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8 p.m.: Johnny Guitar, the Musicol; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., 🗟 Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Department of Music student recital with Michael McMillan '09, piano; Taplin Auditorium. Free.

8 p.m.: Los Angeles dance troupe Diavolo; State Theatre, New Brunswick. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: John Rizzo; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

8:15 p.m.: Princeton Folk Music Society concert with folk duo Mustard's Re-8 p.m.: Pilobolus Dance treat; Christ Congregation Church.

## Saturday, February 16

7 p.m.: Darla Rich Quintet; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell.

7:30 p.m.: Marcia Ball and The Subdudes; McCarter

8:30 p.m.: 3 Miles from the Moon alternative rock band; Small World Coffee, 14 Witherspoon Street.

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COMING TO BARNES & HOBLE: James McBride will be at the Marketfalr Barnes & Hobie on Sunday, February 10, at 3 p.m. to talk about and sign copies of his just-published second novel, "Song Yet Sung" (Riverhead Books \$25.95). A question and answer session will follow the discussion. A Bucks County resident, Mr. McBride was at the Princeton Public Library in the spring of 2006 in conjunction with his memoir, "The Color of Water," which was the 2006 Princeton Reads selection.



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## **Books**

## Author of "Color of Water" Reading at Barnes & Noble

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In the spring of 2006 Mr. McBride appeared before a full house in the Princeton Public Library's Community Room in conjunction with Princeton Reads. Published in 1996, The Color of Woter's account of Mr. McBride's growing up the son of a white mother and a black father spent more than two years on the New York Times bestseller list and was published in more than 20 countries. Attendees at the library event may remember that the author's mother lives in Ewing.

Publishers Weekly gave Song Yet Sung a starred review, describing it as an "intricately constructed and impressive" novel about "escaped slaves, free blacks, slave-catchers, and plantation owners" set in pre-Civil War Maryland. According to the review, the novel offers a "thoughtful meditation on the nature of freedom and offers sharp social commentary on contemporary America. McBride hasn't lost his touch: he nails the horrors of slavery as well as lie does the power of hope

Kirkus Reviews cited "both William Faulkner's sagas of blighted generations and Toni Morrison's Song of Solomon" on the way to describing the author's "myth of retribution and sacrifice" as "explosively dramatic."

Speaking of his central character, a beautiful runaway slave with troubling dreams of the future, Mr. McBride said, "I'm not afraid of strong women characters. I was raised by one .... Having a strong mother allows you to see the kind of deep muscle feminine characters have to work with.'

Mr. McBride's first novel, Mirocle ot St. Anno, is now in production with filmmaker Spike Lee. "I wrote the script for it," Mr. McBride said. "I worked with Spike closely for about a year. I did a tremendous amount of rewriting on that script. Spike is brilliant, Demanding, He works harder than anyone I've ever worked with.

A Bucks County resident, Mr. McBride is a former staff writer for The Washington Post, People, and the Boston Globe; his work has also appeared in Essence, Rolling Stone, and The New York Times.

In his musical career, he has written songs for Anita Baker, Grover Washington, Jr., and the television character Barney, among others. He has also won major awards for his work as a composer for the musical

theater. He holds several age, teacher, etc. will not honorary doctorates and is currently a Distinguished Writer in Residence at New York University. For more information, visit www. jamesmcbride.com.

Submissions Invited For Student Anthology

The Arts Council of Princeton is preparing to publish its twentieth edition of Under Age: An Anthology of Poetry, Prose, and Artwork by Students in Grodes K through 12.

The Arts Council urges teachers, parents, and school administrators to encourage students to submit their most creative works of literature and art. Poetry and prose, in both English and Spanish, will be accepted for this year's publication, as well as black and white artwork. The deadline for submissions is Friday, March 14, at 5 p.m. No submissions will be accepted past the deadline, and no submissions will be returned. Students must either be residents of or attend school in New Jersey.

The winning entries will be selected no later than April 14. Only students whose work has been chosen for publication in Under Age will be notified. They will also be invited to attend the annual publication party to be held June 12 at the Princeton Regional Schools Performing Arts Center at Princeton High School, At the party, students will have the opportunity to read their work, and the artists' work will be displayed.

#### Guidelines

Students in grades K through 12 may submit original poetry, short prose (700 word maximum), or artwork. Each student may submit a total of three pieces, written or visual. All written entries must be typed (double spaced, 11 point minimum). All artwork must be in black and white, and no larger than 8.5" x 11". If not submitting original artwork, the quality of the reproduction must be suitable for print. Each submission must include the student's name and age, home address and telephone number, school, grade, and name of English or Art teacher.

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be accepted. Each student should keep a copy of his or her submissions. No work will be returned. Work may be submitted individually or by class. Faxes will not be accepted.

For more information on Under Age, contact the Arts Council at (609) 924-8777 or visit www.artscouncilof princeton.org. Submission guidelines, frequently asked questions, and contact information are posted on the website.

#### Poets Aubert and Longino Read at Barnes & Noble

Poets Alvin Aubert and Joseph Longino will read from their work on Monday, February 11, at 8 p.m., at Barnes & Noble, Market-Fair. An open reading follows the featured readers. The event is open to the public and free of charge, and is jointly sponsored by the Delaware Valley Poets and Barnes & Noble.

Alvin Aubert taught African-American literature and creative writing, most recently at Wayne State University in Detroit from 1979 until his retirement as Professor Emeritus in 1992. Now living with his wife in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, he was born near New Orleans in Lutcher, Louisiana. The numerous collections of his poems include If Winter Come: Collected Poems, 1967-1992 (1994) and Horlem Wrestler and Other Poems (1995). His poetry has earned him many awards, including two from the National Endowment for the Arts. At State University of New York, Fredonia, he founded Obsidian, a literary journal pubiishing works by African writers and writers of the African diaspora. Mr. Aubert is a member of the Delaware Valley Poets.

Joseph Longino is president of the Delaware Valley Poets, which conducts monthly readings and workshops and publishes anthologies. He is a published poet and art critic, and has taught writing and literature at Georgia State and Georgia Tech Universities in Atlanta, where he was born. He has also practiced law and served as a senior federal bank supervisor. Mr. Longino lives in Pennington with his wife and works in Manhattan, where he is a principal in an investment banking

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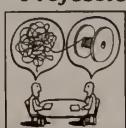
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#### "Merton and Friends" Discussed by Harford

Princeton resident James Harford will discuss his new book Merton and Friends: A Joint Biography of Thomas Merton, Robert Lax, and Edward Rice on Wednesday, February 6 at 7:30 p.m at Princeton Public Library. Harford met Lax in Paris in 1952, which led to a 50-year friendship with the American poet and with author Rice, both of whom were associates of Merton, the Trappist monk whose autobiography The Seven Storey Mountoin has sold millions of copies.

Merton, Lax and Rice were lifelong friends, literary innovators, and spiritual iconoclasts. Their friendship and collaboration began at Columbia College in the 1930s and peaked with the publication of Jubilee magazine. Rice was founder, publisher, editor, and art director; Merton and Lax two of his steadiest collaborators.

Well-known on campus for their high spirits, appreciation of jazz and Joyce and indiscriminate love of movies, they also shared their Catholic faith. Merton and Friends details the changes in American Catholicism since the 1940s.

Former staff director of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics James Harford is also

#### Storytelling at Library

The Princeton Storytelling Circle will meet from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 12, in the Story Room on the third floor of the Princeton Public Library. Children eight years old and above and adult listeners are welcome to attend. Joe Dudis of Bound Brook will be the featured teiler. A storyteller for 18 years, Mr. Dudis tells tall tales, folk tales, ghost storles and literary stories.

The Princeton Storytelling Circle includes both professional and amateur tellers from the greater Princeton area. The group meets the second Tues. day of the month from September through June at the Princeton Public Library.

the author of Korolev: How One Man Masterminded the Soviet Drive to Beat Americo, which won the Social Science Book Prize of the international Academy of Astronautics and the Robert H. Goddard Historical Essay Prize of the National Space

Mr. Harford's appearance is part of the library's Caroline Llewellyn Champlin Writers Talking Series, which has presented distinguished writers to library audiences for more than 25

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#### **Book Collecting Prize Presented by Friends**

The Friends of the Princeton University Library announced the winners of the 2008 Elmer Adler Undergraduate Book Collecting Prize at their annual winter dinner on Saturday, February 2.

The \$2,000 first prize went to Laura Fitzpatrick, Class of 2008, for her essay, "'Love goes towards love': Collecting Romeo ond Juliet," in which she explores annotated editions of the play and how these marginal notes have helped her understand why Romeo ond Juliet means so much to readers and audience members. "My books are a key," she writes, "to understanding the passion that brings readers like myself coming back for more.

In a tie for second place, both Caroline Hayley Crowell, Class of 2008, and lan Segal, Class of 2008, will receive a \$1,500 prize. Ms. Crowell's essay, "New Orleans on My Mind: Books of the Big Easy," focuses on her



READING ON VALENTINE'S DAY: Shown here at the Grounds for Sculpture, the Cool Women Poets of Princeton will return to Hunterdon (County) Museum of Art In Cilnton on Sunday, February 10 at 3 p.m. The eight-woman poetry performance group will marry their long-standing Valentine's Day tradition with "Cool Women, The Art of Love." Micawber Books of Princeton launched the Cools as performers, requesting a reading of Valentine's poems in February of 2000. Members are Eloise Bruce of Lawrenceville; Juditha Dowd, Sergeantsville; Carolyn Foote Edelmann, Princeton; Joyce Lott, Rocky Hili; Lols Harrod, Hopewell; Betty Lles, Montgomery; Judy MIchaels, Hillsborough; and Penelope Schott, of Portland, Oregon. The Museum Is located at 7 Lower Center Street. For information, call Vonda Givens at (908) 735-8415.

books that "help keep alive for me a city that is struggling to rebuild itself."

In "frish Poetry and its Contemporary Context," Mr. Segal makes a case for examining Irish poetry "against the hurdling innovations and destructions of our contemporary era."

The Friends awarded the \$1,000 third prize to Efe Murat Balikcioglu, Class of 2010, for his essay, "Major Poets of Czech and Polish Literature," in which he grapples with verse written in languages he has not

Each winner received a certificate from the Dean of the College and a new book chosen specifically for her/his collection, donated by Princeton University Press. Laura Fitzpatrick's first prize essay will be published in the Princeton University Library Chronicle and will also be submitted to the National Undergraduate Book Collecting

native New Orleans and the competition sponsored by Fine Books & Collections Magazine.

> Princeton University undergraduates have been encouraged and recognized for their connoisseurship in book collecting since 1922, when George M. Peck, then Curator of Special Collections, began an annual spring exhibition of rare books, first editions, and manuscripts collected by students. Prizes were first awarded in 1939, and sponsorship was assumed by the Friends of the Princeton University Library in 1954. Around this time Elmer Adler, the University's first Curator of Graphic Arts, held legendary seminars for undergraduates in book and print collecting, to which many of our current alumni collectors credit their continuing love of books. Following his death in 1962. the award was endowed and renamed the Eimer Adler Undergraduate Book Col-

This year's prize was administered by Julie Mellby, Graphic Arts Curator, and the essays were judged by John Pinto, Howard Crosby Butler Memorial Professor of the History of Architecture and Professor of Art and Archaeology; Librarian for History and History of Science Elizabeth Bennett; and, for the Friends of the Library, P. Randolph Hill, Class of 1972, and Donald Farren, Class of 1958.

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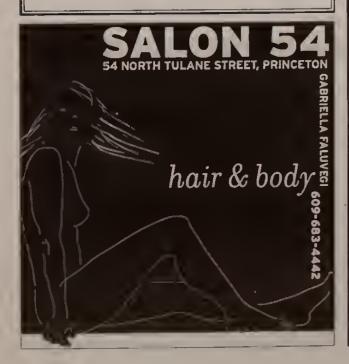
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## A Life in Art: The Long Heroic Career of Elsie Driggs

sionist." For all the brilliant, painterly preexhibit, "Elsie Driggs: The Quick and the Classical," that's not what this spirited and many-faceted retrospective is all about.

Look for Information about this artist online, however, and you'll find that she's invariably tagged with the same label, having been the only female member of the Daniel Gaflery group that art critics of the time referred to as Precisionists. According to the headline for her brief New York Times obltuary, Driggs was a "Premore in the course of the abbreviated entry, and it's been automatically echoed in her life as an artist had begun. several reviews of the new exhibit, which will be on view in the Fred Beans Gallery at the Michener through April 13. Thoughtfully arranged by Curator Connie Kimmerle, this show transcends terminology and is definitely worth a day trip to Doylestown.

#### Against Odds

"Heroic" was one of the words that kept coming to mind as t viewed the 60-plus watercolors, pastels, collages, oil paintings, and mixed media constructions ranging from the 1920s to the late 1980s. It required real courage and commitment for this painter to relaunch herself at the age of 70 after keeping a relatively low artistic profile in deference to the work of her artist husband Lee Gatch. Although her reputation seems to have been a match for his when they married, she spent the years of lier prime, from 1935 to the mld-1960s, without her own studio in the little liouse in Lambertville that she shared with her husband and their daughter Merriman, who was born in 1938. Needless to say, her responsibilities as wife, supportive colleague, and mother, not to mention the lack of a sufficient work space, necessitated creating on a smaller scale, with watercolors, pasteis, and collages. She kept her spirits up by telling herself that if Paul Kfee could paint in a closet, she could manage in a kitchen. The work she did during this period (much of it from the late 1930s) is well represented by the series of urban water colors updating Dante (Wolkers in the City; Milling Workers, 72nd Street), as well as the ones inspired by the fiction of Nathaniel Hawthorne (Merrymount and Pilgrims). Another literary inspiration was Emily Dickinson's poetry. The watercolors, I Taste a Liquor Never Brewed and Balloons, are charming poems in themselves, deltly and lightly making visual to 5 p.m. Sal., noon-5 p.m. Sun. (215) 340-9800.

1992), who was still producing ex- "Inebriate of air am I/And debauchee of traordinary art in her late eighties, dew." A passage from "You've seen Baldeserves better than a label like "preci- loons set — Haven't You?" in the artist's hand is laid in with the work so that you cision to be found in the Michener's new can appreciate how well Driggs's imagery evofves from Dickinson's, at once firm and shapes formed by the lines sustaining the balloons, "So stately they ascend.../Their Liquid Feet go softly out/Upon a Sea of

Once an extension was added to the house In 1966, she finally had the benefit of her own studio, but when her husband died in 1968 she moved on. Most people at the age of 70 proceed toward a more cisionist painter"; the term surfaces twice comfortable, less challenging existence. Elsie Driggs returned to Manhattan, where

#### **Velvet Mills**

The first thing you see as you enter the gallery is Pittsburgh (1927), her bestknown work and the one that has most often been singled out as an example of "Precisionist" art — a notion that makes

liquidity, and depth have to do with an aesthetic based on the word "precision." At first the industrial outline reminded delicate, playful and severe, with swan me of the blending of formal design and technology in some paintings in the Zimmerli Museum's 2006 Mohofy-Nagy ret-"Constructivist." Those bridges and factories made impressive compositions but the color and texture of the structures had nothing like the mysterious beauty of Driggs's steel mills. Contrary to what other reviewers have suggested, no smoke is "belching" from those four smooth blueblack columns. Writing of Mohofy-Nagy's factory landscapes, I said that what you smelled was not smoke but paint. With Pittsburgh, smell has nothing to do with it. You feel what you see; you don't need to touch it; the deep blue plushness of it touches you. The four classic columns the smokestacks have metamorphosed into and the form of the whole have an

he work of Elsie Driggs (1898- music in the spirit of the Dickinson line, sense only as long as the clean lines have enigmatic quality, something undefined been reduced to postcard size in exhibit and suggestive; the sky seems to glow brochures. See the work in person and you with Alpine light and the smooth, snowhave to wonder what such smoothness, soft forms in the fower right-hand corner can be imagined as the edge of the cloudwrapped summit the artist is standing on. In case you wonder what's behind the image, the museum provides one answer in the form of her unpublished essay about a trip to Italy two years previously, where rospective where the label of choice was she describes "the great velvet forms of the Jones and Lochland Mills" and how "beautiful" and "cool and classical" she found them, telling people, "That's my Piero della Francesca."

> The typescript of "The Search for Piero della Francesca," written in the late 1970s when Driggs was taking a course in writing at NYU, is displayed in effective proximity to Pittsburgh. Besides providing some answers as to the source of the light shining through her oil paintings from the 1920s, as well as ilfuminating the remarkable work she did in the late 1980s, the essay gives you a sense of the young artist looking forward to her first trip to the continent: "Let me see Cézanne's paintings as f look out the window of my train," she writes, "and let me meet Leo Stein (as she did] who made the art world see Cézanne through his eyes." What she hopes for is what she gets: "The sun shone as I traveled south and I did see the dove cots, the pines, and those angular fields that lie like patches...all pure Cézanne."

> Writing of her discovery of della Francesca, Driggs admits that at first he "had nothing to do with my vision. I liked life and movement. He was too static and classical, and yet I was drawn to him." In fact. the Italian master haunts her work both at the beginning and end of her career, as you see when you come to the view of Hoboken she painted in 1986 when she was 88. Dear old dirty New Jersey's Hoboken has become an Umbrian hill town dwarfed by a soft blue Italian sky.

> t's a remarkable creative arc — from Art Deco-period Manhattan through the long Lambertville interlude of smaller works inspired by figures such as Hawthorne, Dickinson, and Dante, to her moving transformation of Hoboken and her surreally lovely painting of a no less Italianate sky with a portion of the Javits Center adrift in it, produced at the age of 88. These two works, painted so late in life, overwhelm all the feeble little istwords. Precisionist, surrealist, impression-

> > -Stuart Mitchner



"PITTSBURGH": Because she was a woman suspected of having a "radical" agenda, Elsie Driggs was nof permitted inside the steel mill depicfed here. Her only agenda was art and the capturing of the beauty she saw in "The great velvet forms of the Jones and Lochland Mills." The James A. Michener Arf Museum Is located of 138 S. Pine Street in Doylestown. The curator's gallery tour ist, expressionist, constructionist become begins at noon February 12 and 19; \$15, non-members; \$8, members. Museum hours Tuesday-Friday so much verbal clutter under the sky and 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday noon-5 p.m. Admission costs \$6.50, \$6 seniors, clouds and light of ageless art. \$4 sludents, free for members and children under 6. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.

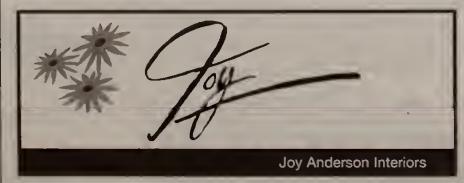
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## University Art Museum Director Susan Taylor Stepping Down

Susan M. Taylor, director and students beyond art of the Princeton University Art Museum since 2000, will led the museum through an ambitious exhibition transformation and growth, She came to Princeton Centaur's Smile: The Human as director of the Davis at Wellesiey College.

Princeton's museum at a critical moment for the arts," said Princeton President Shirley M. Tilghman. visibility of the museum and Promised." internationally, and she has new collection monograph strengthened the museum University, a focal point for the permanent collection, research and scholarship, and a vital resource for students, scholars and the general public, We are grateful for Susan's opening this month on the her every success as she pursues new opportunities in the years ahead."

As museum director, establishment of new curatorial departments for programming, modern and contemporary art, curator positions and several program funds. The museum's permanent collections have grown in quality and depth in all

history and studio art to include many departments leave her position at the end of the University. During her of this academic year, having tenure, the museum pursued a period of significant program, the highlights of which have included "The after serving for 12 years Animal in Early Greek Art"; "Recarving China's Museum and Cultural Center Past: Art, Archaeology and Wellesley College. Architecture of the 'Wu Susan Taylor has led Family Shrines'"; "West to Wesselman: American **Drawings and Watercolors** in the Princeton University Art Museum"; and "Pop Art "She has increased the at Princeton: Permanent locally, nationally and museum also launched a series and published the first as a teaching center for the comprehensive handbook of which will be celebrated by an exhibition, "An Educated Eye: Princeton University Art Museum Collections," that is contributions, and we wish occasion of the museum's 125th anniversary.

Ms. Taylor also developed a program for commissioned work in public places on Ms. Taylor oversaw the campus, working with such artists as Magdalena Abakanowicz, Jim Isermann, education and academic and the late Soi LeWitt. Last fall, with Senior University Counsel Lorraine and American art, as well Sciarra, she successfully as the endowment of four completed negotiations with the Italian government resolving the ownership of 15 works of ancient art in the museum's collections. Under the agreement, the areas, and the museum has Italian government will lend extended the scope of its culturally significant works collaborations with faculty of art to Princeton, and

Princeton students will enjoy unprecedented access to Italian archaeological sites for study and research.

Ms. Taylor serves on the boards and committees of many professional organizations, including the American Federation of Arts where she chairs the exhibition committee, and the visiting committee of the Frances Lehman Loeb Arts Center at Vassar College; she also currently serves on two task forces for the Association of Art Museum Directors. She's working at present with the Getty Leadership Institute on issues of cultural property and leadership development for the museum field. At Princeton she has served on the advisory committee for the Center for Arts and Cultural Policy Studies, the President's Advisory Committee on Architecture and the President's Task Force on the Creative and Performing Arts.

With Ms. Taylor on leave through June 30, Associate Director Rebecca Sender, who has been serving as the museum's acting director since January 1, will continue in that role. The search for a successor will be conducted by a committee chaired by Professor Emeritus John Wilmerding, who was the Christopher Binyon Sarofim 86 Professor of American Art at Princeton until his retirement in the summer of 2007.

"Translations" Exhibit Opening at Gallery 14

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In this series of photo-graphs called "Translations" Ms. Kassof-Isaac paints with brushes, by hand, and Photoshop, as well as oil pastels that lend themselves to scratching and smudging. Her work moves between the externai vision of the camera and the Interior vision of the painter, According to the artist, "Each work suggests a secret story, a life of its own." Driving in the Rain "started with a photograph taken while driving in a rain storm (someone eise at the wheel)" while In Fog "invites the viewer to experience their own interior landscape."



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"CLOUDS OVER CASTLE": Founding member Rhoda Kassof-Isaac's photographic work can be seen at Gallery 14 in "Translations," a dual exhibit of photographs by member Rhoda Kassof-Isaac, in the main gailery, and in homage to her late friend, artist Soi Lewitt, in the Small Gailery. The opening reception will be on February 8 from 6 to 9 p.m. The show runs through March 9.

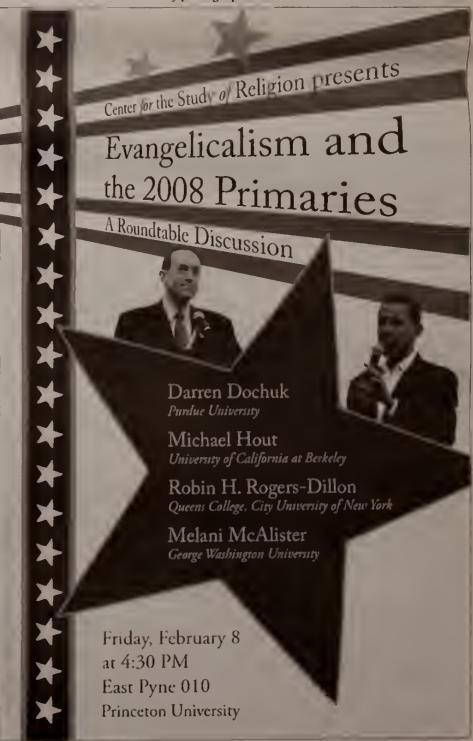
Kassof-Isaac's "Homage to Sol Lewitt (1928-2007), "the founder of Minimal and Conceptual Art" who 'Invented a conceptual framework that could contain almost anything," This is a series of photographs that was taken with the artist's express permission and assistance during a Lewitt retrospective at the Whitney Gailery in New York City. In these double exposures, Ms. Kassof-Isaac superimposes photographs of objects onto photographs taken of the Lewitt works on exhibit during the retrospective. The artist had previously exposed rolls of film in Europe, and then brought these rolls to the Whitney Museum, reloaded

In the Smail Gallery is Ms. them and re-exposed them at Mr. Lewitt's exhibit with Jersey dedicated soiely to his permission. The resulting Images placed her chosen objects onto the same frame as his work,

Rhoda Kassof-Isaac had her first exhibit at New York's Riverside Museum in 1962 and has been actively involved in exhibits and teaching art in the U.S.A. and Europe since then. She lived in Switzerland and Italy for 26 vears. Since 1989, she has increasingly concentrated opportunity to mect the on photography and is a founding member of Gallery 14, which continues the first weekend of the exits sixth season with these hibit. The Gallery is open two exhibits. The Gallery was established in 2001 by a group of central New Jer- by appointment. sey photographers and was

then the only gallery in New photography. Gallery 14 is also the site of a monthly meeting of local photographers who show their work and invite discussion and criticism in the spirit of increasing their skills and understanding of their own and others' photographic work.

All exhibits open with a Friday evening reception for the public at the Gallery, and also feature an photographers and discuss their work, usually during on Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. and



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A \$30 materials fee is required. Space is limited. For reservations call (609) 9212420 or e-mail ascprin@aol. Participants will then work participants will also experience art as a devotional activity. Contemplative music will provide the backdrop for the art response time. Ruth Councell, an artist and lilustrator, will serve as the director for the art response Bactivities.

Workshops will be held on Sunday afternoons from 3 to 5 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, which is located at 16 All Saints' Road (north-

of the Princeton Shopping Center off Terhune/Van-Dyke Road) in Princeton. The program runs on consecutive Sundays starting February 17 through March 16, with the final workshop on Sunday, March 30, the Sunday after Easter.

com for more information.

#### **Artsbridge Shows Winners** In 2008 Members Show

Artsbridge is presenting its Members Show at the Prallsville Mill in Stockton from Thursday through Sunday, February 7 to 10, and Thursday through Saturday, February 14 to 16. The show continues through February 23. Hours are from 12 to 5

The jurors for the event were Janet Marsh Hunt of the Coryell Gallery in Lambertville, N.J. and plein air oil painter Peter Hunt of Centerbridge, Pa. "The judging was superb. it was a very difficult task given the excellence of the work", says John Foster, vice-president of Artsbridge. The judges were highly impressed with the quality of the work.

The 1st place winner was the watercolor, Lambertville Steeple by Beth Schoenleber from Doylestown, Pa. Judith Sutton, also from Doylestown, captured 2nd place for her watercolor titled Jack. Third place went to Susan Winter from Hightstown for her pastel painting Autumn in

All works will be for sale. For more information, visit www.artsbridgeonline.com.



"INNER SOUL": Beatrice Jusu's creation will be shown in "Young Vibes: Trenton Central High School at ARTWORKS," which opens at the gallery, 19 Everett Alley at South Stockton Street in Trenton, on February 8 and runs through March 1.



create as many valentines as they like, using construction paper, candy hearts, stickers, pom·poms, glitter, jewels, lace, feathers, stamps, ribbon, crepe paper, and more. The admission cost of \$7 for Arts Council Members and \$10 for nonmembers includes all

Orlgaml artist April Zay will be on hand, and several special technique stations will be available to help participants make the perfect card. Children under seven must be accompanied by an adult. Space Is ilmited, and online pre-registration is required: www.artscouncil ofprinceton.org.

This annual workshop will be dedicated to the memory of the artist and friend of the Arts Council, Betty Ruth Cur-



"MY RIOE": This work by Orlando Rentas will be on view in "Young Vibes: Trenton Central High School at ARTWORKS," which will run from February 8 through March 1. Opening Reception: Friday, February 8, trom 6 to 9 p.m. Curated by Teacher Leader Sharron Grady and Studio Art Teacher Thom Montanari of the Visual and Pertorming Arts faculty, this will be the first gallery show for young artists who have developed their technique and vision during the past three years within the Visual and Performing Arts Community. The gallery is located at 19 Everett Alley at South Stockton Street in Trenton.

"PUFF": This 8 x 10 oil portrait by Steve Messenger, known

for his horse end pet paintings, is part of the group exhibit, "Make it Personal," which will open at Howard Gallery of Fine Art at 77 W. Bridge Street, New Hope, Pa., with a reception set for February 9 from 5 to 8:30 p.m. One of the featured artists, Mr. Messenger will be available to photograph house pets tor a custom oil painting on February 9, from 5 to 8:30 p.m. with advance appointment; walk-in's may be accepted, schedule permitting. Commissions with any of the gallery artists can be errenged by contacting Howard Cooperman at (215) 862-

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## Area **Exhibits**

Artists' Gallery in Lambertville is presenting a members exhibit titled "Temptation"from February 8 through March 2. A tempting chocolate buffet will be provided for the opening reception, Saturday, February 9 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Artsbridge will be presenting its Members Show at the Prallsville Mill in Stockton. The exhibit will run from Thursday through Sunday, February 7 to 10, and Thursday through Saturday, February 14 to 16. Hours are from 12 to 5 p.m.

The Arts Council of Princeton will present the 2008 Faculty Exhibition at its conTEMPORARY Gallery in the Princeton Shopping Center through March 1. The 23rd Annual Valentine Workshop will take place on Saturday, February 9, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., 12 to 1:30 p.m., or 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the conTEMPORARY Arts Center, Admission \$10 / \$7 Members. Kids under 4 are free. For further information, visit www. artscouncilosprinceton. org.

Artworks at 19 Everett Alley at South Stockton Street in Trenton will be hosting "Young Vibes: Trenton Central High School" from February 8 through March 1. Opening Recep-

from 6 to 9 p.m.

D&R Greenway at One Preservation Place in Princeton will host "A Matter of Perspective -- Our Personal through March 21, Mondays through Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Erdman Gallery, located inside the Erdman Center at 20 Library Place in Princeton, is hosting an exhibit featuring mixed media works by Hetal Mistry that will be on display through Friday, February 22.

Firestone Library is presenting an exhibition of rare books, coins, medais and manuscripts, "Numismatics in the Renaissance." in the main gallery through

The Gallery at Chapin will be exhibiting work by childrens' book illustrators from February 4 through March 7. Ponder Goembel, Dar Hosta, Jennifer Hayden, Gennady Spirin, and Nancy E. Wallace will be on hand to sign books at the opening reception on Wednesday, February 6, from 5 to 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend. The exhibit can be viewed during school

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tion: Friday February 8, in the Small Gallery. The cal" which will run through opening reception will be on February 8 from 6 to 9 p.m. The show runs through March 9.

Landscape," which will run Bridge Street in New Hope will be presenting an exhibit of work by Bucks County painter Richard Lennox through February 17.

> **Grounds for Sculpture** is presenting "Focus on Sculpture," a juried exhibition of photographs by amateur photographers sharing sculpture as subject matter, through April 27. There are also three exhibitions of contemporary sculpture on view through April 27. The group show, "Enclosures," featuring work from John Isherwood, Wendy Ross, John Ruppert and Foon Sham, in the Museum Building: 'Herk Van Tongeren: Serie Metafisica and Teatro" and the International Sculpture Center's 2007 Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Awards, in the Domestic Arts Building. For more information on Grounds For Sculpture's Special Events, vislt www.groundsforsculpture.

Historical Society of Princeton, Bainbridge House, 158 Nassau Street, is presenting an exhibition of Princeton in the 1930s that will run through July 2008. Docent led tours are on Saturdays: February 9, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14 at 2pm. Curator Museum Tours, 300 years of Princeton History, are on Fridays: February 29, March 28. April 25. May 30 and June 27-3 pm; Walking Tour of Princeton, 1.9 mile gulded tour, allow 2 hours, meet outside at 2 p.m., \$7, \$4 for children 6-12. No reservations. Hours: Tuesday through Sunday 12 to 4 p.m.; free admission, donations accepted. For more information, call (609) 921-6748 or visit www. princetonhlstory.org.

Hopewell Frame Shop's Gallery is presenting the watercolors, acrylics, handcrafted pottery, and enamels of Rose Marle Strippoli through Saturday, February

Howard Gallery of Fine Art at 77 W. Bridge Street, New Hope, Pa., is presenting a group exhibit, "Make it Personal," from February 7 to 29, with a reception set for February 9 from 5 to 8:30 p.m.

The James A. Michener Art Museum in Doylestown is presenting "Elsie Driggs: The Quick and the Classi-

April 12. "The Holy Experiment: Violet Oakley Mural Studies," featuring 13 original oil on canvas studies for Gratz Gallery at 30 West murals in the Governor's Reception Room of the Pennsylvania Capitol Building in Harrisburg, will be on view through March 30, 2008 in the Pfundt Gallery. The museum is located at 138 South Pine Street in Doylestown. For more information, call (215) 340-9800.

The Della Pinna Gallery at the New Hope Michener is presenting "Norman Rockwell in the 1940s: A View of the American Homefront" and "Charles Hargens: American Illustrator through February 10.

The Jane Vorhees Zimmerli Art Museum In New Brunswick is presenting "The Magyar Imagination: Selections from the Salgo Trust Donation of Hungarian Art" through March 30. "Art Nouveau Illuminated: Lamps from the Sigmund Freedman Bequest" will be on view through April 20. The Zimmerli is located at 71 Hamilton Street on the College Avenue campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick.

The Jewish Center of Princeton at 435 Nassau Street in Princeton is hosting an exhibit of paintings by Gilda Aronovic in its gallery through March 16.

The Lewis Center for the Arts at 185 Nassau Street in Princeton is presenting a "Student Art Exhibition (All Media): Work from the Fall 2007 Program in Visual Arts Classes" through February 15. Exhibit hours are Monday-Friday,10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more informa-

tion, visit www.princeton. edu/arts.

Morven Museum & Garden is presenting Ben Again, a pop cuiture memorabilia exhibit from now through March celebrating Ben Franklin in Pop cuiture.

The NJ State Museum is presenting "Selected Works: Art by African-Americans in the Museum's Collection," In the galleries in the Department of State building at 225 West State Street In Trenton. The exhibit will be on view through March 20. "Fancy Rockingham Pottery: The Modelier and Ceramlcs in Nineteenth-Century America," will be in the Auditorium Galleries, 205 West State Street, Trenton, through May 3.

Pennswood Village, 1382 Newtown-Langhorne Road In Newtown, Pa., will be showing work by Selma Bortner through March 2. Gallery hours: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. dally.

Plainsboro Public Library is will be showing artwork by Jeffrey Lou, a professional Chinese ink brush painter and watercolorist, from February 1 through February 28; a reception with the artist will be held on February 16 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Princeton Day School is presenting a retrospective exhibit of oil paintings by former PDS art teacher Peter Cook in the Anne Reld '72 Art Gallery through March 2. Visitors also are welcome to view the exhibit 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday when school is open and by appointment on weekends. For an appointment, call (609) 924. 6700 or visit www.pds.org.

The Princeton Universi- 2 ty Art Museum will feature \* Mini Masters on February 95 and 10, a special exhibition ≥ of children's art inspired by 3 works in the museum's collections and exhibitions. Opening on February 9 and 🖫 continuing through June 8 is "Invoking the Comic Muse: A Toulouse-Lautrec's Parody of The Sacred Grove, a focus exhibition centered on E a painting by Lautrec that simultaneously pokes fun of and pays homage to the winner of the highest prize at the 1884 Saion, Puvis de \$ Chavannes's Sacred Grove Dear to the Arts and Muses. The museum will mark its 125th anniversary with an exhibit of many of its of most important works from 8 all areas of the collection in 8 \*An Educated Eye: Princeton University Art Museum Collections," which will be on view from February 23

RMJM Hillier Head. quarters, 500 Alexander Park, West Windsor, is hosting an exhibit of 25 area artists, working in media from photography to ceramics, assemblage, bronze and beyond; artwork is for sale, as the exhibit is coordinated with West Windsor Arts Council's Cabin Fever Cabaret fundralser. The show opens February 4. For further information, cail (609) 919-1982 or visit www. westwindsorarts.org.

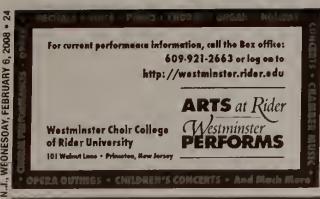
through June 15.

The Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie Mansion in Cadwalader Park and The Trenton Museum Society are presenting "The World Dines Out: 100 Years at Trenton's Lamberton," exhibit displaying china produced at the city's Lamberton Works.













**MUSIC REVIEW** 

## New Jersey Symphony Orchestra Presents Guitar Soloist in New Concerto

cial fascination for audiences. Many more people than will probably admit have tried their hand at playing guitar at some point (especially during the 1960s) and hearing someone with the dexterity and artistry to play the instrument really well conjures up amazement and awe. Such an individual was Cuban guitarist Manuel Barrueco, featured this past weekend with the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. Friday night's concert at Richardson Auditorium, led by guest conductor Lawrence Foster, included the U.S. premiere of Robert Sierra's Donzos Concertontes, a four-movement lively work for guitar and orchestra (the work was premiered by Mr. Barrueco and the Orchestra of Castilla and Leon in Spain). Mr. Barrueco's background includes training at the Peabody Conservatory, as well as in his native Cuba, and collaborations with guitarists from all genres of music, including rock.

Donzos Concertontes demonstrated Sierra's interest in Caribbean influences, especially in his use of percussion and the quintuple meter of the first and last movements. New Jersey Symphony significantly augmented its percussion section to include xylophone, marimba, suspended cymbal, tam-tam, gong, snare drum, bongos, congas, maracas, the gourd-like guiro, claves and a Basque tambourine. The precision of the orchestra's percussion section complemented well the lightning quick deftness of guitarist Barrueco.

The 5/8 movements of the concerto were Stravinsky-like, with instrumental bits and pieces contrasting the continual flow of the guitar. Aided by a microphone, the low and high "E" strings of the guitar were easiest to hear, with the playing on the middle strings sometimes lost in the orchestral fabric. Extended solo cadenzas

usic for classical guitar has a special fascination for audiences. enabled the audience to fully hear Mr. Bar-Many more people than will problem the highest notes of the instrument.

The second movement was marked by a very Latin flavor, as well as wind solos from clarinetist Karl Herman, flutist Bart Feller and bassoonist Robert Wagner, and effectively muted trumpets played by Garth Greenup and David Larson. As conductor, Mr. Foster had the piece well in hand, especially bringing the movements to close through some very tricky endings.

New Jersey Symphony Orchestra bracketed Donzos Concertontes with two works representing the 18th century. Mozart's Symphony No. 31 in D Major, known as the Paris Symphony, has likely been performed by both NJSO conductor and players many times. Mr. Foster tended to conduct the spirit of the music at times, rather than technically conducting the musical gestures, but the work seemed to play itself. The strings were especially clean and well-phrased in unison detacheé sections, but the performance seemed to lack drama at times, especially since this symphony combines elements from a number of different European regions.

Richard Strauss composed Suite from Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme much in the style of Jean-Baptiste Lully, with courtly dance effects and a very light overall chamber flavor. The orchestra conveyed this style well, aided by clean wind solos from flutists Feller and Kathleen Nester and oboists Robert Ingliss and Andrew Adelson (also playing English horn). The orchestra was very crisp when playing together, aided by the precise piano accompaniment of Steven Ryan. A rich ensemble sound punctuated by lower brass reminded the audience that this was actually a work of the early twentieth-century.

-Nancy Plum

The New Jersey Symphony's next performance on Morch 14 will feature Dvorok's Symphony No. 8 and solo violinist Leilo Josefawicz playing Bortok's Violin Concerto No. 2. For information coll (609) 258-5000.

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**Seth Rosenthal** 

#### Westminster Conservatory Plans Flute-Piano Recital

Westminster Conservatory faculty members Seth Rosenthal, flute, and Suzanne Lehrer, piano, will present a recital of flute music by women composers this Sunday, February 10 at 3 p.m. in Westminster's Bristol Chapel.

ture works by Anna Bon di rie Altman. Venezia, Claude Arrieu (the pseudonym of Louise-Marie \$5 for students and seniors, Sofia Gubaidulina, and Dianne Goolkasian Rahbee.

minster Conservatory, the community music school of Westminster Choir College. He has a bachelor of arts degree from Queens College CUNY, did his graduate work at CCNY, and studied at Tanglewood in the Young Artist program through Boston University. He has performed with the New Jersey Symphony, Trenton Symphony, Queens Symphony, Royal Ballet, Royal Danish Ballet, Moiseyev Ballet, New York City Opera, Boheme Opera of New Jersey, and Edison Symphony, among others. He is a member of the board of the New York Flute Club.

Ms. Lehrer, also a member of the artist faculty at Westminster Conservatory, earned her master's degree in piano performance from Westminster Choir College and a bachelor's degree in music with concentration in piano from the University of Rochester. She has studied classical piano with many teachers, and jazz piano The program will fea- with Peter Cassino and Lau-

Tickets are \$10 for adults, Simon), Katherine Hoover, and may be purchased by calling the Westminster box office weekdays between Mr. Rosenthal is a member 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at (609) of the artist faculty at West- 921-2663, or at the door.

**Brentano String Quartet** To Perform at Richardson

Princeton University's quartet-in-residence, the Brentano String Quartet, will perform on Thursday, February 21 at 8 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium.

Sponsored by the Department of Music, the ensemble's program will include Claudio Monteverdi's Four Modrigols from Book VI, Gabriela Lena Frank's Quijotodos, Elliott Carter's Quintet for Piano ond String Quortet, and Mozart's Quartet in B-flat

The quartet's members are Mark Steinberg and Serena Canin, violin; Misha Amory, viola; and Nina Lee, cello. They will be joined by planist Thomas Sauer for this concert,

The quartet has traveled widely, appearing throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Japan, and Australia. They are Interested in both old and new music, performing works predating the string quartet medium, and collaborating with many contemporary composers. The quartet is named for Antonie Brentano, considered by many scholars to be Beethoven's "Immortal Beloved."

Admission is free but obtaining tickets in advance is recommended. Tickets may be reserved by calling (609) 258-9220, or picked up at University Ticketing on the 100 level of the Frist Campus Center weekdays from noon to 6 p.m. Remaining tlckets will be available at the door on the evening of the concert at 6 p.m.



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"3 Mo' Divas" Concert February 18 at McCarter

McCarter Theatre will present Three Mo' Divas, described as a musical celebration of "class, sass, and style," on Monday, February 18 at 8 p.m. The show follows the success of

the Broadway writer/director Marion J. Caffey.

The show will also be presented on Sunday, February 17 at NJPAC in

The show stars Yvette Gonzalez-Nacer, who has been seen in Les Miserobles, West Side Story, and Coboret; Laurice Lanier, a 2002 graduate of Julllard who has performed at Carnegie Hall and in Lo Boheme on Broadway; and Jamet Pittman, a Carnegle Hall soloist who has been seen on Broadway in Lo Boheme, Porgy and Bess, and Master Class. The three vocalists will cover eight musical styles and 400 years of music during the evening, including opera, Broadway, jazz, blues, soul, R&B, spirituals, and

The program will include selections from Bizet's Cormen, the haunting "His Eye is on the Sparrow," and such high-energy hits as "Boogle Woogle Bugle Boy" and "Proud Mary."

Three Mo' Tenors, which opened to acclaim in 2000, has been taped for PBS, recorded for RCA, and is still on tour. Three Mo' Divos kicked off its national tour this past October and comes to McCarter in observance of Black History

Tickets are \$37, \$40, and \$43, with student standing room \$7. To order, call the McCarter box office at (609) 258-2787 or visit www.mccarter.org.

**Two Westminster Concerts** Planned on Rider Campus tistic development in the

in Lawrenceville.

An Art Gallery Concert of 17th century music featuring Westminster Conservatory faculty members will take place tomorrow, February 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Rider University Art Gallery. Then on Sunday, February 10 at 3 p.m. in Gill Memorial Chapel, the Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra will present a program of music by Bach, Stravinsky, Schubert, and Rossini. The orchestra, conducted by Ruth Ochs, comprises Westminster Conservatory faculty members, adult amateurs from the Westminster Community Orchestra, and advanced students from Westminster Conservatory.

Instruments. The performers will be Westminster Conservatory faculty members Timothy Urban, recorder, and Flora Newberry, cornetto and recorder, joined by guest artists Ron Evans, dulclan, and Lewis Baratz, harpsichord. The program will include compositions by Becker, Frescobaldi, Cima, Riccio, and others.

The cornetto is a wooden instrument related to the trumpet and the dulcian is a precursor of the modern bassoon.

The concert, open to the public without charge, is being presented in con-Junction with an exhibit of paintings by Bruce Rigby that span 40 years of ar-Westminster Choir Col. areas of painting, drawing, the international hit, Three lege will present two con- and printmaking by one of

Mo' Tenors, also created by certs this week on the New Jersey's important re-Rider University campus alist painters. The exhibit will continue through February 24.

The Rider University Art Gallery, directed by Prof. Harry I. Naar, is located on the second floor of Rider's Bart Luedeke Center at 2083 Lawrence Road, Lawrenceville.

The Kaleidoscope conductor, Ms. Ochs, earned her master of music degree in orchestral conducting at the University of Texas and a bachelor of arts in music, magna cum laude, from Harvard University. She also studied several summers at the Pierre Monteux School for Conductors in Hancock, Maine, and was a Fulbright Scholar to Germany. She is currently a candidate for a doctorate Tomorrow's Gallery recital, titled "I Virtuosi University. In addition to
del Seicento," will feature conducting the Kaleidomusic played on historic scope Chamber Orchestra, she conducts the Westminster Community Orchestra and the Princeton University Sinfonia.

Westminster Conservatory is the community music school of Westminster Choir College of Rider University.

Tickets for the Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra concert are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors, and may be purchased at the door or in advance by calling the Westminster box office weekdays between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at (609) 921-





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#### **New Clubhouse to Host Dinner Theater Mystery**

The new award-winning clubhouse at Mountain View Goll Club in Ewing will host its first dinner theater presentation, a Theater to Go production of Murder on the Campaign Trail, on Saturday, March 1 at 7 p.m. The show is an audience participation comedy and murder mystery described by its producers as "especially appropriate for this presidential election year."

The Mountain View Golf Club is located at 890 Bear Tavern Road, Ewing.

The story involves Francis Keye, a candidate lor President of the United States; Sidney Locke, his campaign manager; Susan Fits, Mr. Keye's liancée; Jimmy tlla, the campaign treasurer; and Mr. Keye's running mate, Tammy Hees. During the course of the evening, someone will be killed. The motives include lust, jealousy, revenge, and greed. The audience will be asked to help solve the crime.

The cast will include Paul Saunders and Ruth Markoe of Lawrenceville, John Maurer and Diana Maurer ol Ewing, Art Miller of Princeton, and Ann Marie Robalik ol Columbus.

In 2003, Theater to Go was invited to perform Murder on the Campaign Trail lor the National Lieutenant Governors Association in Little Rock, Ark.

The new clubhouse at Mountain View opened in June, 2007 and was named one of the top live new constructions for daily fee clubhouses by Golf, Inc. magazine. The Clubhouse is available for private parties and plans to become a local entertainment venue.

Tickets are \$60 for dinner and the show, with group discounts available. For reservations, call (609) 771-0400.

For more information about Theater to Go or Murder on the Campaign Trail, visit www.theatertogo.com.

#### Off-Broadstreet to Offer Musical "Johnny Guitar"

The Oll-Broadstreet Theatre will open its 200th production on Friday, February 15 with Johnny Guitar, the Musical, winner of the Outer



EASIER SAID THAN DONE: Pitobolus Dance Theatre, one of the world's most popular and unusual dance companies, will return to McCarter Theatre tor the 19th time on Wednesday and Thursday, February 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. The troupe's new show will offer McCarter audiences the first opportunity to see a new work choreographed by Michael Tracy. The performance may contain partial nudity. Pilobolus Is noted for combining body sculpture, acrobatics, and theater into a repertoire unlike any other. Mixing humor, intelligence, physical invention, and athleticism, the troupe's performance has been called "as zany as the Marx Brothers and as clever as Houdini" by Newsweek magazine, which added, "this sextet of adept acrobats converts bodies into interlocking and interchangeable parts, erecting structures on stage that are closer to sculpture than dance." The troupe performed at the 79th Annual Academy Awards. Tickets are \$35 and \$38, with student standing room \$7. To order, call the McCarter box office at (609) 258-2787 or visit www.mccarter.org.

Musical.

Based on the 1954 movie Johnny Guitar starring Joan Crawford, the Western musical send-up tells the story of a sultry saloon keeper, Vienna, and her rival Emma, the town's evil tycoon. Tensions run high as Emma lalls for the Dancin' Kid, but his allections are aimed at Vienna, A tall, dark and handsome cowboy with a mysterious past then enters the saloon looking for Vienna, and the stage is set lor a showdown.

The title role will be played by Tim Walton of

Critics Circle Award for Best East Stroudsburg, who has and Gavin Lawrence of Skillappeared on the Off-Broadstreet stage in several musicals including The It Girl, Hot & Cole, and Little By Little. Vlenna will be played by Alison Quairoli of Flemington; Emma, by Michelle Russell of Raritan. Ms. Quairoli will be joining the cast immediately after appearing in OBT's comedy Relatively Speaking. The Dancin' Kid will be portrayed by Todd Gregoire of Levittown, Also in the cast will be Michael Lawrence of Princeton, last seen In The Fantasticks; Vincent Molla ol Princeton; Geolf Barber ol Hamilton; Tony Parisi of Hillsborough:

The musical will be directed by artistic director Robert Thick. It features music by Martin Silvestri and Joel Higgins with a book by Nicholas van Hoogstraten.

Johnny Guitar will play weekends February 15 through March 22, with perlormances on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. All shows include dessert an hour before curtain.

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The Emmy Award-winning Trinity Irish Dance Company will perform in New Bruns-wick's State Theatre as part of its three-week winter festival, Hub City Carnivale, this Friday, February 8 at

A troupe of dancers between the ages of 18 and 28, Trinity Irish Dance Company has performed to popular ac-claim on stages throughout the world. Founded in 1990 by Artistic Director Mark Howard as a means of pro-viding professional career opportunities to students, the company searches for original means of expression in its repertoire while maintaining old traditions. An Irish-American company, it is thought to have started the popularity of progressive Irish dancing that led to commercial productions such as Riverdance.

A majority of the company's dancers have come through the ranks of the Trinity Academy of Irish Dance, the Chicago/Milwaukee-based school that has garnered many team world titles for the U.S. at the World Championships of Irish Dance. The troupe is known for its perfectly paced spins, leaps, and clicks that have entertalned audiences around the world.

Over the past several years, the company has collaborated with many contemporary choreographers, leading to the development of a unique form of story ballet, which tells the ancient and modern history of Irish-American people through dance and live music. The

YOUNG PLAYWRIGHTS: Four theater students in the Actors' NET of Bucks County's Youth Masters Class will have their one-act plays presented this weekend, on Saturday and Sunday, February 9 and 10 at 2 p.m. at the Heritage Center, 635 North Delmorr Avenue in Morrisville, Pa. The young authors will each direct their works and act in them. The performances will culminate a ten-week training course run by the theatre. The writers, trom left, are Maddy Silverman, 11, ot Yardley, Pa., Monica Malek, 15, of Langhorne, Thomas Smith, 16, ot Morrisville, and Ben Weinstein, 11, son ot Mary and Steve Weinstein ot Princeton. Tickets tor "An Afternoon ot One Act Plays" are \$5 tor adults and \$3 tor seniors and children. For reservations, call (215) 295-3694.

company has appeared in feature films by Disney, Dream Works, Touchstone, and Universal, including Bockdroft and The Road to Perdition. It has won two Emmy Awards for appearances on the PBS television specials One Step Beyond and World Stage.

Tickets range from \$25 to \$55, with student, senior, and group discounts available. To order, call the State Theatre box office at 732-246-7469, or visit www. StateTheatreNJ.org.

#### Children's Show to Visit MCCC's Kelsey Theatre

The adventures of Max, a rambunctious toddler bunny, and his precocious big sister, Ruby, will come to life in a new musical, Mox ond Ruby, at Mercer County Community College's Kelsey Theatre on Saturday, February 23 at 2 and 4 p.m. The show, from Theatreworks/ USA, features music and lyrics by Carol Hall and is based on the popular stories by the children's author Rosemary Wells and the animated television series on Nickelodeon.

With songs including Things in Twosies," "Cowboy!," "Blue Tarantula," and "Bunny Scout Anthem," the show is targeted at children three and older.

When Ruby seeks Max's assistance to plan a play for Grandma, she does not anticipate the comedic hurdles that seem to follow Max wherever he goes. Ruby finally calls on her Bunny Scout friends to help them try to finish the play on time.

Based in New York City, Theatreworks/USA is America's largest professional notfor-profit theatre for young and family audiences, touring approximately 16 shows annually from a repertoire of 117 plays and musicals. The company's productions are seen each year by more than 4 million people in the U.S. and Canada, in venues as varied as local elementary school gymnasiums, regional fine arts centers, and Broadway-sized theaters.

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FUNNY BUNNIES: Lee Markham, left, and Kelly Felthous will appear in "Max and Ruby," to be presented by Theatreworks/ USA at Mercer County Community College's Kelsey Theatre February 23 at 2 and 4 p.m. For tickets, call (609) 570-3333 or order online at www.kelseythestre.net.

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American Repertory Ballet **Debuting Works Statewide** 

The American Repertory Ballet will kick off its 2008 performance schedule with a premiere of Twyla Tharp's Sinotra Suite on Friday, February 15 at the Community Theatre in Morristown. The company will then premiere two new works by Graham Lustig and Lisa de Ribere at McCarter Theatre on Wednesday, March 5 at 8

The Morristown and Princeton performances will be two among many for ARB during a busy spring. The ballet company will also perform at the Two Rivers Theatre in Red Bank on February 22; at the Surflight Theatre in Beach Haven on February 24; in its first public performance at the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum in New Brunswick on April 26; at the Berrie Center at Ramapo College in Ramapo on May 3; and at the Peter Norton Symphony Space in New York City on May 8 and 9.

The company's 23rd annual gala, A Swingin' Affair, will be March 1 at the Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick.

The program at the Community Theatre in Morristown, titled "An Evening of Romance," will include Octet by Twyla Tharp, and Borcorolles and Six Pionos by Mr. Lustig, the company's artistic director, in addition to the Sinotro Suite premiere. The same program will be presented in Red Bank and Beach Haven.

Sinotro Suite, a duet for a woman and a man choreographed to five songs by Frank Sinatra, is the third iconic dance work by Ms. Tharp to be acquired by American Repertory Ballet and added to its repertoire. The other two are the revivals of Boker's Dozen and Octet.

The McCarter program on March 5, titled "Sinatra, Shadows, and Stars,' will feature the premiere of two new works, Shodows in the Attic by Mr. Lustig and Starry Nights by Lisa de Ribere. Shadows in the Attic is inspired by the spirit of survival expressed by the



SHOW STDPPERS: James Petro and Dani Tucci-Juraga, shown here in last May's production of "Damn Yankees," will headline the Actors' NET of Bucks County's "Show Stoppers Revue," a musical salute to Broadway this weekend at the Heritage Center, 635 North Delmorr Avenue, Morrisville, Pa. Directed by Joe Doyle with choreography by Ms. Tucci-Juraga, the show will also feature Susan Fowler, Pam Linkin, David Swartz, Theresa Swartz, Tess Ammerman, Sarah Webster, Marco Newton, Stacy Ann Danka, Aimee Robidoux, Lorraine Murray Robson, and the Downstage Center Dancers. Performances will be Friday and Saturday, February 8 and 9 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, February 1D at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$2D for adults, \$17 for seniors, and \$1D for children under 13. For reservations, call (215) 295-3694.

Ms. De Ribere's piece about the creative muse is inspired by three paintings by Van Gogh. Tickets are \$32 and \$42, available by calling (609) 258-2787.

For more information about ARB's 2008 performances, visit www.arballet. org or call the company at (732) 249-1254.

#### **McCarter Theatre to Hold** Internship Open House

McCarter Theatre will host an Internship Open House on Saturday, February 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for individuals interested in a career in professional theater.

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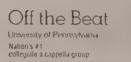


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## Vince Vaughn's Wild West Comedy Show

## Introspective Comics Crisscross Country in Concert Film

the novel Idea of putting together a group of entertainers to create a variety show that would mix together standup comedy, improvised material, and musical routines. The troupe would barnstorm across the country in a bus, performing in 30 cities in 30 days as they made their way from Hollywood into America's heartland and

With the help of his best friend, child-star-turned-producer Peter Billingsley (who you may remember as Ralphie in A Christmas Story), Vince found four aspiring comics to serve as his headliners: Bret Ernst, John "Cap" Caparulo, Sebastian Maniscalco, and Ahmed Ahmed. And then he invited a few of his showbiz pals to partici-



"THE NEXT COMEDIAN IS...": Vince Vaughn introduces another act In his touring variety show. He has made a film about the whirlwind tour that goes behind the staged acts and describes how and where many standup comedians get the material for their acts.

n the Summer of 2005. Vince Vaughn came up with pate, including Jon Favreau, Justin Long, Dwight Yoakam, and Keir O'Donnell. They called themselves the Vince Vaughn's Wild West Comedy Show, and made a movie of the tour, a surprisingly cerebral film which divides its time evenly between highlights of onstage acts and sobering moments of introspection captured during offstage.

For instance, Sebastian, who was waiting tables when discovered, tears up when he expresses his gratitude to Vince for giving him this blg break.

Bret is almost as emotional when he reflects upon his gay elder brother who died of AIDS, while Ahmed Ahmed talks earnestly about how 9/11 has forced him to build his act around racial profiling and his Arab-American

heritage.

Cap wrestles with being a malcontent whose foul mouth and bad attitude prevents him from having a girlfriend. Yet, when he says, "it's really cool to have a job that's cathartic," it's clear that he enjoys exploring his existential angst in front of an audi-

It's these self-searching asides which make the Wild West Comedy Show worthwhile. As a result of these and other scenes, the movie reveals standup comedy to be an exercise far deeper than just going for a joke. I almost forgot to mention that the film is also funny, with some routines that contain hllarious observational humor. Just remember, these guys generate laughs by relating their life experiences in a way which resonates with their audience as being authentic.

Emcee Vince Vaughn comes off the best as an altruistic mentor willing to offer a helping hand to up-and-coming comics because he has never forgotten what it was like to be a struggling actor. He even altered their tight schedule in order to visit with the victims of Katrina and to do a benefit, when the hurricane hit during the middle of the tour.

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## AT THE CINEMA



27 Dresses (PG-13 for profanity, sexuality, and innuendo). Katherine Heigl stars in this romantic comedy about the frustrations of a perennial bridesmaid who has to bite her tongue when the boss (Edward Burns), whom she has had a secret crush on, falls in love with her younger sister (Malin Akerman). Cast includes James Marsden, Judy Greer, and Brigitte Bourdeau.

**Atonement** (R for profanity, sexuality, and disturbing war images). Romance drama, opening In England in 1935, about the budding relationship between a rich girl (Keira Knightley) and the son (James McAvoy) of her family's maid which is aborted when he is falsely accused of a crime by her jealous younger sister (Saoirse Ronan). Supporting cast includes Vanessa Redgrave, Brenda Blethyn, Romola Garai, and Anthony Minghella.

The Bucket List (PG-13 for profanity and a sexual reference). Oscar-winners Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman co-star in this bittersweet end-of-life saga as terminally-ill cancer patients who make a break from the hospital after compiling a checklist of everything they want to do before kicking the bucket. With Sean Hayes, Beverly Todd, and Rowena King.

Cossandra's Dreom (PG-13 for sexuality, violence, and mature themes). Woody Allen directs this crime saga, set in London, about two brothers (Ewan McGregor and Colin Farrell) with money woes who hatch a sinister scheme after becoming embroiled with a femme fatale (Hayley Atwell). English cast includes Tom Wilkinson, John Benfield, and Sally Hawkins.

**Cloverfield** (PG-13 for violence, terror, and disturbing images). Sci-fi action thriller chronicles the harrowing ordeal of five young New Yorkers who throw a friend a going-away party the same night a monster the size of a skyscraper descends upon the city. Ensemble includes Michael Stahl-David, Mike Vogel, Lizzy Caplan, Jessica Lucas, T.J. Miller, and Odette Yustman.

The Diving Bell and the Butterfly (PG-13 for nudity, sexuality and profanity). Bittersweet biopic, based on the memoir of the same name by the late Jean-Dominique Bauby (Mathieu Amatric), the once vivacious editor-in-chief of Elle Magazine who suffered a stroke at 43 which left him paralyzed and unable to communicate except by blinking his only functioning eye. (In French and English

**The Eye** (PG-13 for violence, terror, and disturbing content). Jessica Alba stars in this remake of the 2002 horror film from Hong Kong about a blind violinist haunted by frightening visions after her sight is restored by a double corneal transplant operation. With Parker Posey, Francois Chau, and Chloe Moretz.

Fool's Gold (PG-13 for violence, profanity, sexuality and brief nudity). Kate Hudson and Matthew McConaughey co-star in this action comedy about a just-divorced couple who rekindle their romance after reuniting to search for a sunken treasure buried aboard a Spanish sailing ship lost at sea in 1715. Supporting cast includes Donald Sutherland, Malcolm-Jamal Warner and Brian Hooks.

How She Move (PG-13 for profanity, sexuality, and drug use). Inspirational dance story about a promising high school student (Rutina Wesley) who has to return to her crime infested neighborhood when her parents can no longer afford the tuition at the prep school she'd been attending. Co-starring Tre Armstrong and Melanie Nicholls-King, with cameos by Keyshia Cole and DeRay Davis.

**In Bruges** (R for pervasive profanity, graphic violence and drug use). Mob comedy about a couple of hit men (Colin Farrell and Brendan Gleeson) sent by their boss (Ralph Fiennes) to unwind in Belgium for a couple of weeks after an assignment in London goes horribly wrong.

Juno (PG-13 for prolanity, premarital sexuality, and mature themes). Coming-of-age dramatic comedy about a pregnant teen (Ellen Page) who divides her time between getting to know the father (Michael Cera) and bonding with the couple (Jennifer Garner and Jason Bateman) about to adopt her unborn baby. Cast includes Allison Janney, J.K. Simmons, and Rainn Wilson.

The Kite Runner (PG-13 for violence, brief profanity, child rape, and mature themes). Adaptation of Khaled Hosseini's bestseller about the quest for redemption of a well-to-do Afghani-American Immigrant (Khalid Abdalla) who returns to his native Afghanistan during the reign of the Taliban to find his childhood friend Hassan (Ahmad Khan Mahmidzada), whom he had betrayed and left behind 20

**Mod Money** (PG-13 for sexuality, profanity, and drug relerences). Diane Keaton, Queen Latllah, and Katie Holmes co-star in this remake of *Hot Money*, a British thriller based on a real-life crime caper, now overhauled as a crime comedy about three employees of the Federal Reserve Bank who conspire to steal millions of dollars in currency that is about to be destroyed.

Meet the Spartans (PG-13 for profanity, sexuality, crude humor, and slapstick violence). Silly spoof of 300 from the purveyors of parodies who brought us Scory Movie, Dote Movie, and Epic Movie. Besides the Spartan saga, this irreverent comedy satirizes everything from Transformers, Rocky Bolboa, You Got Served, Britney Spears, Ghost Rider, and Paris Hilton. Cast includes Carmen Electra, Method Man, and Diedrich Bader.

Michoel Cloyton (R for profanity). George Clooney handles the title role in this conspiratorial corporate potboiler about a discontented attorney assigned to handle some dirty work by a senior partner (Sydney Pollack) at a leading New York City law firm. With Tilda Swinton, Ken Howard, and Michael O'Keefe.

Notional Treasure: Book of Secrets (PG for mild violence). Nicolas Cage reprises his role as treasure hunter Ben Gates for another globe-trotting, action-oriented adventure. This go-round, his quest is to clear the name of an ancestor implicated in the assassination of Abraham Lincoln by finding the 18 pages missing from the diary of John Wilkes Booth. Talented cast includes Oscar-winners Cage, Helen Mirren, and Jon Voight, and nominees Harvey Keitel and Ed Harris.

**No Country for Old Men** (R for profanity and graphic violence). Coen Brothers adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's modern-day Western about a Vietnam vet (Josh Brolin) on the run after stumbling upon several corpses, a stash of heroin, and 2 million dollars left at the scene of a grisly gun battle near the Rio Grande. Cast includes Tommy Lee Jones, Javier Bardem, Woody Harrelson, Kelly Macdonald, and Stephen Root.

**Over Her Deod Body** (PG-13 for sexuality and profanity). Supernatural romantic comedy about a bride (Eva Longoria) who dies on her wedding day only to come back as a ghost to sabotage the budding relationship between her devastated fiancé (Paul Rudd) and the psychic (Lake Bell) he consults at the suggestion of his sister (Lindsay Sloane). Supporting cast includes Stephen Root, Sam

**Rombo** (R for profanity, sexual assaults, grisly images, and graphic violence). After 20 years, Sylvester Stallone reprises the title role of Vietnam vet John Rambo, now returning to Southeast Asia to lead a team of mercenaries on a mission to save Christian mercenaries kidnapped by Burmese soldiers. With Julie Benz, Matthew Marsden, and Tim Kang.

Sovoges (R for sexuality and profanity). Dysfunctional family drama about the sibling rivalry which re-arises between a brother (Philip Seymour Hoffman) and sister (Laura Linney) when they both move back home to care for their senile father (Philip Bosco).

**Strange Wilderness** (R for crude humor, sexuality, drug use, and non-stop profanity). Steve Zahn and Allen Covert co-star in this over-the-top comedy as the co-hosts of an animal wildlife TV series who try to prop up the show's sagging ratings by mounting an ill-advised expedition to Ecuador in search of the legendary Bigfoot.

There Will Be Blood (R for violence). Daniel Day-Lewis stars in this adaptation of Oil!, Upton Sinclair's classic, 1927 epic novel chronicling the life of a self-made, California oil tycoon. With Paul Dano, Kevin J. O'Connor, and Claran Hinds.

Untraceoble (R for profanity, torture, and grisly violence). Diane Lane stars in this cat-and-mouse thriller as an FBI agent on the trail of a cyber serial killer who broadcasts his murders over the internet live on his own website. Cast includes Colin Hanks, Mary Beth Hurt, and Billy Burke.

Vince Voughn's Wild West Comedy Show (R for sexual humor and pervasive profanity). Concert flick chronicles emcee Vince Vaughn presenting four of his favorite comedians, Ahmed Ahmed, John Caparulo, Bret Ernst and Sebastian Maniscalco, as they crisscross the country, performing in

Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins (PG-13 for profanity, crude humor, sexual content and drug references). Martin Lawrence plays the title role in this ensemble comedy about a popular, Hollywood talk-show host who finds himself cut down to size during a family reunion after he travels back to his Georgia roots for his parents' 50th anniversary. Cast includes Michael Clarke Duncan, Mo'Nique, Mike Epps, Cedric the Entertainer, Nicole Ari Parker and Joy Bryant.

-Kam Williams

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# Sports

## Koncz's Versatility Makes Big Difference As PU Men's Hoops Starts 2-0 in Ivy Play

Jyle Koncz had a devil of a time getting a shot last r may may.

Princeton University men's basketting a shot last Friday night as the ≥ bail team hosted Dartmouth.

The senior forward and co-captain generated only one shot and was held scoreless. grabbing seven rebounds and making three Son the night but contributed in other ways, steals as Princeton prevailed 57-53.

A night later against visiting Harvard, Koncz couldn't stop shooting, pouring in 21 Epoints in the first half, essentially operating took a 33-31 lead into intermission.

in the second half, Koncz netted a key three-pointer to end up with a career-high 24 points as the Tigers pulled away to a 68-54 win over the Crimson before a season-high crowd of 3,104 at Jadwin Gym.

in explaining the contrast between his output from Friday to Saturday, Koncz said it was a matter of taking what the defense

"Last night we had a lot of post moves: they were making us score in the post and

they were guarding us on the perimeter," said Koncz, whose big offensive night helped Princeton improve to 5-12 overail and 2-0 in Ivy League play.

"I wasn't getting open a lot. For whatever reason, tonight was different. They were in a zone and they weren't rotating fast enough so shots were there that weren't last night. In the first half, I was wide open. I think on all the shots i took, there wasn't a guy within five feet.

When reminded that his previous career high of 23 came against Harvard, Koncz had no explanation for his excellence against the

"I don't have a personal vendetta against Harvard, said the 6'7, 200-pound Koncz with a chuckle.

'Maybe they don't want to guard me; we'll see what happens the next time we

Koncz likes what's happening with the Tigers as the team has now won three straight after enduring a program-record 12 game losing streak,

"i think you always have to have confidence in this

"We are working hard at practice every day and there were some games in there lessons from those games. When we had this two-week exam period we got a lot of work done and I think it's showing up. it's a fresh start and we are taking it the right way; we are working our butts off."

Princeton head coach Sydney Johnson liked the work he got from Koncz over the weekend.

"Kyle coached us through our defensive assignments last night, he rebounded, he got steals," said Johnson. "Tonight he comes out and we are struggling to score and maybe we're a little tight, he starts banging shots.

Johnson puts a premium on players with multi-faceted skills. "At Princeton, we're just playing ball," said Johnson, who got 17 points from Lincoln Gunn in the win over Harvard while senior Kevin Steuerer matched his career high with 12.

'Some nights we are going to make some threes, some nights we are going to drive it and some nights we are going to dish and drive. We just want players and Kyle has shown the versatility in his game.'

worked hard to get where we League play. are," said Johnson, whose team trailed 49-48 before breaking the game open.

"We're not going to get too high or too boastful but we made a lot of progress. The guys are making plays and enjoying basketball, i think that probably explains the run as much as anything.

With 12 Tigers seeing action against Harvard, more and more players are getting the chance to enjoy the game.

"There are so many guys on the team who have contributed," asserted Johnson, whose team faces a critical road trip this weekend as it plays at Ivy frontrunner Cornell on February 8 and at Columbia on February 9.

You have seen Kyle and Noah [Savage] at center. You have seen different guards help us out. We are a basketball team,

in Johnson's view, Prince- LOCKED AND LDADED: Princeton University men's basketbali ton's decisive  $20.5\,$  run over  $\,$  senior star Kyle Koncz prepares to fire a jumper in recent acthe last six minutes of the tion. Last Saturday, Koncz poured in a career-high 24 points to game was the product of help Princeton top Harvard 68-54. The 6'7, 200-pound forward some diligent preparation. scored 21 points in the first half and ended the night with six "We really, really had 3-pointers as the Tigers improved to 5-12 overall and 2-D in lvy

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

these guys have contributed in major ways on and off the court.

Koncz, for his part, believes that the team has developed a culture of accountability which is starting to yield dividends.

'The guys really care for each other, i think that's the big difference," said Kon-

"We got to practice every day and we are making each other work hard. You see one guy not working hard enough and we get into him after practice and during practice. We have a good chemistry and I think that shows on the court. Some nights some guy may not be open; no one cares who scores the points, no one cares who gets the assists. That's a big thing with us and I think it is paying off right now.

-Bill Alden



GUNNSLINGER: Princeton University men's basketbali sophomore standout Lincoln Gunn looks for an opening in a game team," asserted Koncz. eeriler this season. Last weekend, Gunn scored 17 points In Princeton's 57-53 win over Dartmouth and then tailled 17 again a night later as the Tigers beat Harvard 68-54. Princeton, now tled with Penn for second in the ivy League with a that we should have won. 2-D league mark, plays at Corneli (12-5 overall, 4-D lvy) on 1 think we learned some February 8 and at Columbia (8-11, 1-3) on February 9. lessons from those games.

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## Offense Clicking for PU Women's Hockey As Tigers Return From Exams With 3-0 Week

Keady scored late in the third period to give the Princeton University women's hockey team a 3-1 lead over Rennselaer last Friday, the Tigers seemed to have things under control.

But with less than 1:20 left in the game, Rennselaer scored twice with an extraattacker to force the contest into overtime.

Even though the momentum was going against his team, Princeton head coach Jeff Kampersal didn't have over Union sparked a case to give much a of a pep talk before the extra session started.

"I was concerned that we might not score again but I wasn't concerned about our defense," recalled Kampersal. "We talked about five seconds and they were ready

Keady took care of business, banging home a goal with 2:13 left in overtime to give the Tigers a 4-3 win.

'Keady did a good job on the play," said Kampersal of his feisty 5'6 forward who was later named the ECAC Hockey League Player of the Week. "Katherine Dineen good but our defense was went to the net hard and Keady was there to get the score.

Kampersal lauded the efforts of junior defenseman Dineeen. "It's like watching a Lexus out there," said Kampersal of Dineen, who now has 14 points on the season with four goals and 10 assists. "She is so smooth and skilled."

A day later against visiting Union, Princeton started slowly, getting a goal in the last minute of the first period to take a slim 1-0 lead



When senior star Lizzie into intermission. But in the first 11:09 of the second period, the Tigers erupted for four goals on the way to a

> Seven different players scored for the Tigers including Christine Foster, Brittany Salmon, Sasha Sherry, Sonja Novak, Julie Flynn, Annie Greenwood, and Micol Martinelli, a former Lawrenceville standout whose goal was the first of

For Kampersal, the win of déjà vu. "Union is a program that is growing," said Kampersal, whose club blanked Union 7-0 in early December.

'It was exactly like the last one we had with them, we had trouble scoring for the first 20 minutes and then the floodgates opened up,'

While Kampersal is happy with his team's recent offensive productivity, he wants the Tigers to play a more complete game as they head into the last month of the regular season.

'Against Rensselaer and Union, the offense was a little loose," added Kampersal, whose team is now 118-4 overall and 9-6-1 in ECACHL play. "We need to get in a rhythm in all phases of the game,"

Still, Kampersal is happy with how his team has responded since its recent 17 day exam break, going 3-0 in its first week back in action.

The kids studied hard during the break but they also worked hard on their hockey," said Kampersal, whose team won 6-2 at Quinnipiac on January 29 and currently stands fifth in the ECACHL standings, one point behind rival Dartmouth.

"The seniors had them down at the rink. It was tough to go up on a Tuesday night and win a game at Quinnipiac. We'll take it."

This weekend, Kampersal is looking for his team to take things to a higher level as it plays at Yale on February 8 and at Brown on February 9.

"Yale and Brown are tough," said Kampersal. "We lost to Yale earlier (5-3 on January 11); hopefully we'll have some answers this time."

-Bill Alden

## **PU Sports** Roundup

#### **Princeton Celebrating** Women in Sports Day

The Princeton University Department of Athletics is celebrating National Girls and Women in Sports Day on February 9 at Jadwin

The event, which is open to the public, features an Interactive sports fair starting at 4:30 p.m. in the main level of Jadwin Gym where various Tiger student-athletes will host stations at which youths can learn basic skills for a wide range of sports.

The day will be capped off by the Princeton women's basketball game against Columbia at 6 p.m. Following the game, the women's basketball team will hold a "Meet the Tigers" autograph session. Admission to the sports fair and basketball game is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under age 13,

#### PU Women's Swimming **Dominates H-Y-P**

Lisa Hamming and Meredith Monroe led the way as the Princeton University women's swimming team produced a dominant performance at the Harvard-Yale-Princeton meet held last weekend in New Haven,

The Tigers defeated Harvard 210-107 and swamped host Yale 237-65. Senlor Hamming won the 200 breaststroke and the 200 individual medley while freshman Monroe won the 100 backstroke in a schoolrecord 1:57.53.

Princeton has a home meet on February 8 against Columbia.

#### Tiger Men's Swimming Splits in H-Y-P Meet

The Princeton University men's swimming team split at the Harvard-Yale-Princeton meet held last weekend in New Haven, Ct.

The Tigers topped host Yale 213-140 but fell to No. 23 Harvard 213.5-139.5. Individual standouts for Princeton included Doug Lennox, the winner of the 100 butterfly, and Will Schaffer, who tied for first in the 200 breaststroke.

The Tigers are next in action when they host Navy on February 9.

#### PU Women's Fencing 1-3 ky North Event

The Princeton University women's fencing team won one of three matches in the lvy League "North" Competition last Saturday at Yale.

The Tigers defeated Cornell 17-10 but fell to Harvard 17-10), Brown (16-11), and Columbia (19-8)

Princeton will host the lvy "South" competition on February 10.

### PU Men's Volleyball Tops Hope International

Led by sophomore Carl Hamming, the Princeton University men's volleyball team won 3-1 at Hope International University in Fullerton, Calif. last Friday.

Hamming recorded 11 fell 68-55 at Dartmouth as & kills as Princeton improved to 1-2 on the season.

In upcoming action, the Tigers play at Juniata on February 8 and at East Stroudsburg on February 9 before hosting NYU on February 12.

#### PU Women's Hoops Gets Swept Up North

Despite another solid effort from senior star Meg Cowher, the Princeton University women's basketball team lost 82-64 at Harvard last Saturday.

Cowher scored 11 points as she reached 1,469 points in her career and hit double digits for the 22nd straight

On Friday, the Tigers ruary 10.

Princeton head coach Courtney Banghart coached her 5 first game against her alma €

ln upcoming action, the हैं Rigers, now 4-15 overall and 1-2 in Ivy League play, host 3 Cornell on February 8 and 2 Columbia on February 9.

#### **Tiger Men's Fencing** 1-2 in Ivy North Event

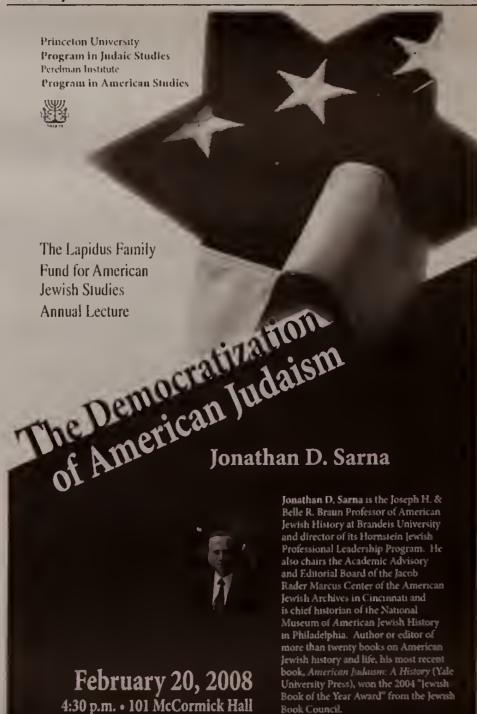
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Princeton will host the lvy South" competition on Feb- 8



FREE PASS: Princeton University men's hockey sophomore defenseman Jody Pederson passes the puck in a game earlier this season. Last Saturday, Pederson picked up an assist as Princeton won 4-0 at Rensselaer. The win lifted Princeton to 12-9 overall and 9-5 in ECAC Hockey League play, good tor a third-place tie with Quinniplac in the league standings. In upcoming action, Princeton, winners of six of its last seven games, hosts Brown on February 8 and Yale on February 9. (Photo by Bill Atlenda) SoortActions





## Morrison Gets PHS Girls' Swimming Rolling **8** As Little Tigers Place 3rd in County Meet

Eleen Morrison to realize that to have someone to train Eshe and the Princeton High girls' swimming team were in for a big day last Saturday Sat the Mercer County Swimming Championship finals.

Swimming in the 200 Swimming in the 200-meievent, Morrison crulsed to a surprising second place Ffinish, some two seconds Behind WW/P-S' Paola SI-

"That a good way to start, I was not expecting to get Second at all," said Morrison, who was seeded fourth but clocked a 2:12.52 in the final, nearly three seconds better than her qualifying

"I know that Paola had gotten really fast since last year but really it was an open race for the rest of us. It was very exciting to get second in that.

Producing a wave of excit-Ing races, PHS went on to finish third of 15 schools in the team standings.

Senior star Morrison won the 400 free, setting a meet record of 4:36.54 In the event which was added to the county program this year. Morrison's classmate and friend Elizabeth Cava came from behind to take second in the race.

Another PilS senlor, Jordan Shaptro, cinerged as one of the stars of the meet, winning both the 50 and 100 free races. Little Tiger sophomore standout Victoria Cassidy took third in the 200 Individual medley and second in the 100 backstroke.

That was really exciting," said Morrison. "We go to club practices and high

It didn't take long for Kath-school practices and it's nice with everyday.

> Morrison and Cava later teamed up to help PHS end the meet on a high note as they helped the 400 free relay team place second.

'We were so pumped up in the relay after having so many good swlms in the whole meet," recalled Morrison. "The last relay was basteally icing on the cake."

county meet was one she won't soon forget.

"This is definitely one of the top three meets in my high school career," asserted Morrison.

'We only had seven or eight girls here at the finals and we still got third, that's so good. The team as a whole did so well; it was a surprise.

PHS head coach Greg Hand was proud of how his girls' squad rose to the oc-

"I was happy that the girls won third place hut the best thing about the meet is how competitive they were," said Hand.

"We had enormous time drops and some very gutsy swims. They rolled today. It's good to watch when kids create their own momentum and somehow focus on the kind of preparation that leads to good performances."

It was good for Hand to watch Morrison and Cava star in the 400 free.

"Kathleen was very fast this weekend," sald Hand. 'She seemed pretty at ease and focused. She and Elizabeth are such good friends,

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goodness knows what they said prior to the race. Cava got second by putting in a terrific sprint on top of an already strong race.

Senior star Shapiro proved she is in one of the strongest sprinters in the county with

"I'm very proud of Jordan," said Hand. "Both sprint races are so fast and short, there's not much margin for error. Jordan swam a nearly perfect 100 for where her ability is right now and also did a darn good 50. It was just good to see that For Morrison, her final she was so fast on top of the water."

> Sophomore Cassidy showed grit as well as speed. 'She's a fighter, she lowered her time in the IM by some three seconds from the qualifying," said Hand.

"She fought hard in that race and then came back and had a real hard backstroke. She was one of the thought of myself as a 200 kids who swam two really strong relay legs in addition to two terrific individual performances.'

The 400 free relay was an appropriate conclusion to PHS' blg day.

"They did a good job on the relay," said Hand. "They had a decent but not real fast time on Thursday. They beat that time by 11 seconds today. At that point the girls were aware of the score of the overall meet and they just got excited and swam a great one.

With the state tournament coming up later this month, Hand is hoping his team can produce some more great

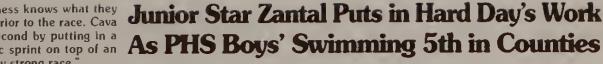
"We'll need to be real sharp In our first meet because we'll be going against somebody our equal or a litbe a great test."

Morrison, for her part, is primed for the final tests of her PHS career.

"It's fun even though we have to leave, I try not to think about it," said Mor-

We train basically the whole season for the states, that's our focus, We'll see, anything can happen. We'll be really excited for It.'

—Bill Alden



Alex Zantal had an ice pack taped to his right elbow after competing last Saturday her double on Saturday. in the finals of the Mercer County Swimming Champi-

> onships. The Princeton High junior put in a long day in the Lawrence High pool, taking third in the 200-meter individual medley and fifth in the 100 freestyle. In addition, he helped the Little Tigers take second in the 200 free relay and third in the 400 free relay.

Zantal's heroics helped PHS place fifth of 13 schools in the meet's team

For Zantal, starting the day with a third in the 200 IM was a bonus.

"I have never really IM swimmer," said Zantal, who clocked 2:24.20 in the IM. "Before this year, I hadn't really swam it competitively so I'm happy about all the time I dropped."

Zantal was less happy about the 100 free since he had been seeded first coming Into the final.

"I was a little bit disappointed," said Zantal, who clocked a time of 55.19 in the final, a little off from his qualifying time of 55.03.

"I didn't match my seed time but it was still a good race. It was a fast heat but I could have swam a little faster.

Rebounding from that disappointment, Zantal produced a strong anchor leg to help PHS take second in the 200 free relay.

"That was great," asserted Zantal of the relay which tle better," said Hand. "It'll saw PHS swim a 1:42.22, just .26 behind first place WW/P-S. "We broke the school record yesterday. South just out-touched us for first; it was fun"

> Fine-tuning his training has helped Zantal have a lot of fun this season.

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Zantal, who jammed his elbow as he touched the wall at the end of the 100 free.

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"I don't swim club so it's just lifting and technique. I have dropped two seconds in the 100 free and eight seconds in the IM so I have expanded my horizons."

Zantal also benefits from his fearless attitude to racing. "I just go for it," said Zantal. "If you get nervous, you psyche yourself out. You just have to put your mind into the race.

PHS head coach Greg Hand liked the way Zantal and his teammates put their minds to things, starting with Friday's preliminary

"We had some extraordinary qualifying swims," said Hand, "Alex Zantal was a ferocious competitor for us. He hasn't done much work in the 200 IM so there is plenty of room for improvement. I think he feels that way so that is why he is so focused on it. His qualifying 100 free was marginally faster than he swam today so his focus in the meet was reaching a new plateau in both his mentality as well as his physical attributes.

in Hand's view, the team's performance in the 200 free relay set a positive tone for the meet.

"I think what was a tablesetter more than anything else was the 200 free relay," asserted Hand of the relav quartet which included Tim Perkins, Ismail Bouzaiene-Ayari, Brad Dewey, and Zantal.

'On and off during the season, the guys who swam it were looking at it and wondering if they got a chance to put in this lineup could they make a run for it. They came in loose and perfectly prepared for yesterday's race. That group of sprinters made a good impression on the entire pool yesterday with their terrific perfor-

It wasn't surprising that helping me out a lot," said mance in qualifying. Today they were aware of trying to defend the first seed. Still they came back and swam a tough race.'

Senior stalwarts Dewey and Perkins performed well in their final county meet. Dewey took sixth in the 50 free and 11th in the 100 breaststroke while Perkins was fourth in the 50 free and ninth in the 100 back-

"They have great character and a great desire to contribute to the team and be the best swimmers that they can be," said Hand.

"Brad had a career weekend, splitting the relays and swimming from a flat start and going below 23 seconds. Tim had four really hard swims today. It's terrific to see these guys swimming with the county's best swimmers; they have earned that."

Although PHS figures to be seeded seventh or eighth in the Central Jersey sectional in the upcoming state meet, Hand has no qualms about the mentality his swimmers will bring to the challenge of facing a top-seeded team.

"I'd like to hope that we won't be going against a team that is mentally any stronger than we are or more competitive than we are," said Hand.

"I've been getting the sense with the team the last two or three weeks that we'll be able to rely come states that they are swimming like they are in it until the end of the last race. It should be a good experience for us."

Zantal is ready for a good experience in the state tournament. "I think today was a huge confidence booster for states; everybody PR'ed today," said Zantal.

"It will be a tough meet with a tough chance of advancing. Everybody will drop more time and it will be a great meet.'

-Bill Alden



NEW WAVE: Princeton High junior Alex Zantal hones his powerful freestyle stroke. Last Saturday at the Mercer County Swimming Championships, Zantal took third in the 200-meter individual mediey and fifth in the 100 freestyle in addition to helping the Little Tigers take second in the 200 free relay and third in the 400 free relay. PHS placed fifth of 13 schools in the meet's





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#### PHS Boys' Hoops Qualifies for State Tourney Then Learns Lessons in 3 OT Loss to Ewing

basketball team started last week by pulling out one of the most dramatic and significant overtime wins the program has enjoyed in

Hosting powerful Hamilton on January 29, PHS went 36 minutes to edge

The Princeton High boys' the Hornets 67-63 to clinch came up on the short end, the program's first berth in falling to the Blue Devils the state tournament since 83-76.

> Tigers ended the week by engaging a thrilling triple overtime contest with visiting Ewing.

This time, however, PHS

Three days later, the Little PHS head coach Jason

In reflecting on the loss, Carter said the win over Hamilton may have led to a letdown on Friday.

"I think we were riding high after our big win Tuesday," said Carter, whose team fell to 8-7 with the defeat.

"We got a little bit of school spirit and a following in the crowd and I think it went to their heads a little bit. We forgot how we got the school spirit; we got it by going out there and hustling and playing hard and playing together as a team."

The Little Tigers went on a rollercoaster as a team in the battle with Ewing. With blue and white balloons flying behind the PHS bench from the Senior Night pregame ceremony, the Little Tigers ended the first half clinging to a 26-25 lead.

PHS took a 48-45 lead into the fourth quarter but found itself trailing 56-51 after an 11-3 Ewing run.

Showing the resolve of a playoff team, the Little Tigers clawed back and took a 59-57 lead with 14 seconds remaining in regulation on two clutch free throws by Josh Gordon. Ewing then canned two free throws in the waning seconds to force overtime.

In the first extra session, PHS trailed until the very end when Gordon drained a big jumper with 25 seconds remaining to knot the game at 69-69.

The game went into second overtime and neither team was able to score in that four-minute session, in the third overtime, Ewing took the lead at 75-73 midway through the period and never looked back in earning the victory.

While Carter admired the resilience displayed by his

team, he knows they have to learn to close the deal.

This team definitely has character," said Carter, whose team was led by junior DeQuan Holman with 22 points with classmates Brian Dunlap and A.J. Dowers chopping in 19 and 18 points, respectively.

"It's young and it's the sophomores and juniors that are stepping up. At the same time, we also have to have the killer instinct when we step out on the court and play with the lead, especially

Still, the defeat didn't kill the excitement generated by PHS making it back to the state tournament after a seven-year absence.

"I'm extremely proud of this group," said Carter. "I'm a first-year head coach and making the playoffs is a first step; it's nice. I'm lucky to have the players that I have. It could be years before I make the playoffs if I didn't have the right players.'

Carter will tell you that his group of seniors has helped point the team in the right direction.

"I think the seniors have been great," added Carter, who got 10 points from Young last Monday as PHS beat Florence 54-48 to improve to 9-7. "Matt Young is our captain and he's out there taking charge with a broken nose. There is a lot of heart. Zephrem does a good job going in and playing defense. We can stick Johnny Miranda in there; he also plays defense. They lead us on and off the court.'

see his seniors go out on a high note as the team gets

into tournament play.

' said Carter, whose 7 Princeton Day School on team." February 12 in an opening round contest.

"The only way you see: "One of the reasons you if you are the best is to " play a sport is to be the go out and play the best teams in the state. You team was seeded 10th in need to play in tourna-; the Mercer County Tourna. ments and see how good ment and will play at No. you are and test yours

-Bill Alden



TALKING POINT: Princeton High junior guard 8rian Duniap leads Now, Carter is hoping to the way in a recent game. Last Monday, Dunlap chipped in eight points as PHS topped Florence 54-48 to improve to 9-7 on the season.



NEW HEIGHTS: Princeton High boys' basketball senior forward Matt Young (No. 14) outdue's Princeton Day School's C.J. Martino for a tip in the game earlier this season between the local rivals. The two teams will meet again in the Mercer County Tournament as tenth-seeded PHS will play at No. 7 PDS on February 12 in an opening round contest. PHS, which recently qualified for the state tournament for the first time since 2001, posted a 65-41 win in the first game between the teams.

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#### With Gratch Happily Carrying the Load, **Hun Girls' Hoops Poised for Stretch Drive**

She happily lugged four ball around, that's the key," chairs over her shoulder to clear up the bench area and picked up a stray water bottle oll the court for good

For Hun School girls' basketball senior star Emily Gratch, carrying the load for the Raiders comes natu-

she walked in the door as gone on to produce one of her. the greatest careers in Hun hoops history.

Through last Monday, Gratch had 1,463 points in her career, second most in program history. More importantly, Gratch has led the Raiders to three straight Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) and state Prep A title games.

For Gratch, leading the Raiders has been a labor of love. "It's not like I try to be a leader; I just have so much fun with the girls," asserted Gratch.

"On and off the court, we are best friends. I will do anything for the girls; ! am there for them for any-

Gratch sets for Hun has been reflected in the team's recent surge which has seen it win eight straight games.

"We have been moving the

asserted Gratch, who netted 11 points last Monday as Hun topped Bishop Eustace 44-31 to improve to 15-6 on the season.

"We are working it around and getting it to every player. We have a lot of people on our team who can score."

Gratch will leave Hun with A starter from the day a lot of great memories of the people that have gone a freshman, Gratch has through the battles with

> "The past four years have been my favorite," said Gratch, who is averaging more than 16 points a game this season.

> "i don't know what I am going to do without these giris. Playing here has taught me so much. I am definitely going to miss it; I'm trying to make the best of it.

Next year, Gratch hopes to start a similar bonding process as she heads to Lehigh University to play for its women's basketball team.

"I like the Patriot League schools; they are great academically and athletically," said Gratch a resident of Doylestown, Pa.

'It's an easy ride from The unselfish tone that home so my family can come to everything. When I went to visit and met the girls, I loved them; I clicked with them pretty fast. The coaches are great and the campus is beautiful. I fell in love with it.'

> Hun head coach Bill Holup has loved having Gratch on his team the last four sea-

> "it's unbelievable what she has meant to the program," said Holup.

'We know that she can score. When she draws double and triple teams she'll dish it off to somebody that's open. The rebounding is always there as is her defense. She will even handle the ball when we need it. We really look to her.'

Echoing Gratch's sentiments, Holup believes that his players' unsellish play has keyed Hun's recent surge.

'They always look for each other," said Holup. "We are doing a better job of waiting for the screens and opening up in the low post area. Sometimes they are too unselfish because they pass up good shots for shots that are even better and we wind up turning over the ball."

In Holup's view, the team has learned some lessons from a five-game losing streak it suffered through in the middle of the season.

"We have to get better because of it," said Holup. "If we don't learn from adversity, what good is it? We needed to get something out of it and build from it.

With 11-time Prep A champ Peddie on the horizon in both the prep and MAPL tourneys, Holup feels his team can make a break-

"We have the potential as long as we believe and get the work done, good things will happen," said Holup, whose team has been seeded second in the Prep A tournament and will host the victor of the Blair-Princeton Day School opening round clash in the semifinals on February 13.

"We have to continue to

work on not turning over the ball. We need to make the plays and take care of the ball. The other team isn't going to score if they don't have the ball. We need to be patient and continue to get better.

Gratch, for her part, believes the team's chemistry holds the key to post-season success.

"We need to keep our heads up," said Gratch.
"Everybody needs to come ready to play, that's the key. Sometimes we have one person not ready. For the games coming up, we need to stick together. Everyone is in it for each other.'

And with the unselfish Gratch leading the way, Hun ligures to get the most out of each other down the

-Bill Alden



FINAL PASSAGE: Hun School girls' basketball senior Emily Gratch looks to pass in a recent game. Last Monday, Gratch netted 11 points as Hun topped Bishop Eustace 44-31 to improve to 15-6 on the season. The Raiders have been seeded second in the Prep A tournament and will host the victor of the Blair-Princeton Day School opening round clash in the semifinals on February 13. (Photo by Bill Atlen/NJ SportAction)

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#### With Senior Guard Davis In Synch, **Hun Boys' Hoops Starting to Roll**

a smooth ride last winter in his debut season with the Hun School boys' basketball team.

Transferring from Prep Charter (Pa.), Davis, a Philaaway at point guard where his ballhandling and knack grin. for hitting clutch shots helped Hun win both the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) and Prep A titles.

This season, though, has been a bumpier ride for Davis and the Raiders.

With the 6'1 senior guard out of synch in the early going, Hun slumped as it got off to a 6-9 start.

But in recent play, Davis has found a groove and the Raiders are starting to roll along with him.

Last Thursday, Davis was all over the court for Hun, scoring 18 points and making several steals and assists as the Raiders thumped archrival Lawrenceville 62-

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room, Davis savored the Raiders blazing start against the visiting Big Red which saw them jump out to a 30-13 halftime lead.

We were clicking on all delphia native, started right cylinders in the first half," said Davis, flashing a wide do it."

> led to our offense. We have been working in practice on getting up and down the court and distributing the

custom this winter, things didn't come easy as Lawrenceville rallied in the second half and cut the Raider lead to 41-40 early in the fourth quarter,

up the defensive heat with a Davls. stifling press and outscored the Big Red 22-3 the rest of the way.

They gained good mo-Standing in the hallway scored 16 points last Friday whether he is making the

Doug Davis experienced outside the Hun locker as Hun dismantled Hill 61-36 to improve to 10-10 on the season.

> "I think that's what we did with our press; everybody stepped up. We just knew what they were going to do and how they were going to

Davis acknowledged that 'We came out with some it has been tough to get evintensity on defense and that erybody on the same page this winter.

"When you have a new team, it gets hard," said Davis. "You have to adjust every time you step on the But, as has been Hun's court. You have to adjust when the new guys come

For Davis, that adjustment process has been personal as one of those newcomers is his younger brother, At that point, Hun turned sophomore guard DeOliver

"Last year I was on my own, on and off the court, said Davis. "To have a little brother on the team, you mentum; we had to take It are looking at him and seefrom them," said Davis, who ing what he is doing and

right decisions. It works both ways; he wants to know what I'm doing. It's weird but it's fun."

In Davis' view, Hun should have plenty of fun as they head down the homestretch of the season.

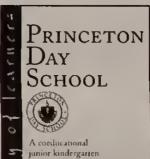
"I feel it; it was just a matter of time before we got on the right track," said Davis, who will look to keep sizzling as fourth-seeded Hun hosts No. 5 Monmouth Academy on February 6 in the opening round of the state Prep A tournament.

"It just takes time; I think with even more time, we will get everything down. We were clicking tonight and we need to just continue to grow together as a team. That's what we are looking

-Bill Alden

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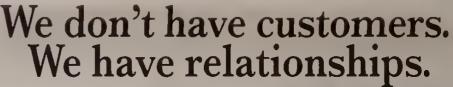
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EYES ON THE PRIZE: Hun School senior forward Lance Goulbourne shoots a free throw in a game earlier this season. With Goulbourne having scored a tolel of 35 points in his last two games, Hun is getting into a groove as tournament time approaches. Having won four of its last five games, fourth-seeded Hun hosts No. 5 Monmouth Academy on February 6 in the opening round of the state Prep A tournament. The winner of that geme will play at top-seeded St. Benedict's on February 13 in the Prep A semis.





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DISHING AND SWISHING: Hun School senior guard Doug Davis looks to pass the ball in recent

action. Last Friday, Oavis scored 16 points as Hun dismantled Hill 61-36 to improve to 10-10 on



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#### With Hoppenot Excelling as Floor General, PDS Boys' Hoops Ready for Battles Ahead

his role with the Princeton ing touch. Day School boys' basketball team in military terms.

there," said Hoppenot, referring to a recent discus-Paris McLean.

"I just try to get the ball to our best players and see if I can create anything. I also try to get myself some points in there.

Last week, Hoppenot performed like a four-star general in the Panthers' 55.46 win over rival Rutgers Prep, scoring a game-high 20 points and repeatedly dribbling through the defense.

The victory was special as it gave the Panthers a share of the Patriot Conference Crown, something that seemed unlikely coming into the season.

"It feels good, it's the first time in a while that PDS boys' basketball has done anything," said Hoppenot.

"Last year we had a 3-18 record so to bounce back like this is impressive. We're all happy."

Hoppenot and his teammates expected to get a battle from Rutgers Prep, having fallen 77-72 to the Knights earlier in the season in a flercely fought contest, attack.

"Everyone came out of that game with bumps and bruises," said Hoppenot. knowing It was going to be very difficult and it was."

Things were easier for Hoppenot as he realized

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Antoine Hoppenot views that he had a good shoot-

'My shot was very on," said Hoppenot, a soccer star "It's what like Paris told whose shooting and dribme, I'm the general out bling is also sharp on the there," said Hoppenot, repitch. "I made a three early and I'm not that much of a sion with PDS head coach shooter. I was driving and my layups were going in."

But it was two free throws that Hoppenot hit with 49.1 seconds left in regulation that were his biggest shots of the day.

"I was a little nervous, right before that, I had a one-and-one and I missed the first shot," recalled Hoppenot. "As soon as the first one went in, I knew the second was going to go in."

PDS first-year head coach Paris McLean likes the way Hoppenot makes opponents nervous with his racehorse style at point guard.

"He has a motor that doesn't stop," said McLean, whose team improved to 13-9 with a 47-38 win over WW/P-N last Saturday.

"He's playing real smart basketball. He's penetrating and finishing. He's not coughing the ball up, he's a little more under control and patient."

With Hoppenot being smart with the ball, PDS has developed a balanced

"Joe [Rogers] and Kenny [Holzhammer] are playing well so there is lot of bal-'We came Into this game ance," added McLean. "We had three guys in double figures with Antoine, Joe, and Kenny. We had four in double figures the night be-

Sharing the conference crown is a step in a bigger process, according to McLean.

'It's something for us to say that we accomplished a goal," said McLean, whose team has been seeded sixth in the Prep B tourney and will play at No. 3 Rutgers Prep on February 9 with the winner advancing to the semis on February 17.

"It's a tiny piece of a big puzzle. We still want to win Prep B. We have a very good chance If we play the basketball we can play. We need to play within ourselves, shoot the ball well, and play tough defense. We also want to make a run in the county tournament.

No matter what happens the rest of the way, PDS' seniors have savored the

"It has been a good year," asserted McLean, whose team was seeded seventh in the MCT and will host No. 10 Princeton High on February 12.

"The seniors won 17 games in their first three years on the team. We have won 12 this year and we are still going. There is a very good chance we could win 17 this season with more regular season games and

the playoffs and the counties. We could put together a nice run that these guys can be proud of. They've worked hard, they deserve it."

Hoppenot, for his part, is primed to end his PDS career with a nice run.

"The last five games have been the best basketball we have played," maintained Hoppenot.

"Even though we lost a couple of games, we have been playing very good teams. I think we'll make a very good run in the preps and the counties."

And with Hoppenot in command in point guard, PDS looks like a very good team.

-Bill Alden



IN COMMAND: Princeton Day School boys' basketball senior guard Antoine Hoppenot works through the lane in recent action. Last Saturday, Hoppenot scored eight points as PDS topped WW/P-N 47-38 to improve to 13-9. The Panthers start play in the state Prep B tourney and Mercer County Tournament this week. PDS plays at Rutgers Prep on February 9 in the opening round of the Prep B event before hosting Princeton High on February 12 in the MCT opener.



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#### Coming Full Circle in Dillon League, **PU Frosh Lutz Now Coaching Sister**

Anna Lutz gained some years playing in the Dillon Youth Basketball League.

"I have great memories of the Dillon League; I played all the way through middle school," said Lutz, who debuted in the 1988-99 season as a lourth grader in the league where the coaches are all Princeton University students.

"I had great coaches and I got the idea that I would like to coach in Dillon someday. The coaches emphasized having fun but I also learned a lot about basketball.

Lutz, a Princeton resident, went on the Lawrenceville School, where she ran track for the Big Red and also competed in horseback riding outside school.

valuable lessons during her accepted to Princeton and realized that she would have the opportunity to achieve her goal ol coaching in the Dillon league.

> And Lutz had an extra incentive to get involved in the league as her younger sister, Olivia, now a lilth-grader at the Johnson Park School, was entering her second year in the program.

'I went to the organizational meeting for the Dillon coaches and I told Olivia alterward," recalled Lutz. "She was so excited."

Lutz followed through and she has been coaching the Mason, Griffin & Pierson team whose roster includes her younger sister.

For Lutz, coming full circle in the Dillon League

life at the University.

don't get home much so it's so nice to see Olivia," said Lutz, whose co-coach is Ellen Clarke, another Dillon alum. "I look lorward to practice; it's so different from what I do from day to day.

Lutz is also getting some aid from the male members of her family in guiding her

"My brother, Cole, and my dad have given me some plays and I'm teaching them to the girls," said Lutz with a smile.

for practice or they get a little restless. I do try to do drills to work with technical stuff but the priority is hav-

ing that goal based on her sister's assessment ol her coaching approach.

is a good coach," said the younger Lutz, who scored four points last Saturday to help Mason, Griffin & Pierson edge Princeton Dental Group 12-11 as the team improved to 3-2.

"She talks to me; if I don't do a good job she tells me what to work on. It's the most lun season l've ever had; it's so cool,

is well on her way to having a memorable Dillon experi-

-Bill Alden

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This past spring, Lutz was has been a rewarding expe-

"It's so nice, said Lutz, referring to coaching her younger sis. "It's such a treat to coach my sister."

Seeing her sister twice week has helped Lutz strengthen her family ties even as she is immersed In

"I'm at college now so i

"You have to have a plan

Lutz is apparently achiev-

'She's not strict but she

It looks like another Lutz

#### Battle-Tested Senior Baker Returns From Injury, Giving Stuart Hoops a Boost Down the Stretch

her right knee and a clear plastic support on her lelt ankle, Kätie Baker bears the battle scars of many athletic battles.

Demonstrating her ability to persevere, Stuart Country Day basketball forward Baker was honored last Thursday as the only member of her class to make it to senior night for the Tartans.

Getting an emotional lift from the ceremony, the steady Baker produced her typical workmanlike effort, scoring six points and keying the interior defense as Stuart topped Hightstown 57 - 39

Afterward, Baker smiled as she reflected on her status as the team's elder statesman.

"I'm the only senior so I definitely leef older," said Baker, who has also starred in field hockey and lacrosse lor Stuart.

only junior so the team is mostly underclassmen. It's a new role lor me this year, I don't defer to anyone. Last year, you would deler to Caitlin Spratt. I have more responsibility,"

Baker feels particularly responsible to lead the Stuart defense. "Sarah [Schulte], Caroline, and I work in the back," said Baker. "We focus on defense and commu-tributor. "What she is doing nication is a thing we have

The Stuart defense was at its best in the second quarter of the win over Hightstown as it held the Rams

'We played really well on delense," said Baker, reflecting on the quarter which saw Stuart outscore Hightstown 15-0 on the way to improv-Ing to 11-6.

'We were moving well; we saw where each other was going. We covered each oth-

With a black brace on You really leel in the flow."

Baker has enjoyed getting more in the Stuart olfensive flow this season.

"It sounds like a little thing, but in my Ireshman, sophomore and junior years. would be happy it I got a point," said Baker. "So now I am getting six times that many.

After badly spraining her ankle in the season opener, Baker drew on her experience dealing with previous injuries in getting back to the court.

was out lor a month and a half," recalled Baker. "I feel like I have always been injured. I know how to come back: I know how to take care of mysell. It's easier to come back when you know what you are doing."

Stuart head coach Tony Bowman Is certainly happy to have Baker back in action. "She is the strength of the r Stuart. frontcourt," said Bowman,
"Caroline Passano is the who got 21 points from his daughter, Amber, in the win over the Rams.

> 'She's my muscle; she talks out there, she is very communicative. She makes the kids in the back do the team il she had been there the whole time.

As a bonus, Baker has become a solid offensive conthis year that she didn't do last year is hitting the 10-15 loot jumpers," added Bow- art.

"She wasn't that offensiveminded and now she is and we are a lot better team as a result. We get the guard scoring and now we have some juside scoring.

Stuart's versatility has helped it put together a nice season as it had turned some heads in local basketball circles.

'We have done a lot of er's backs. We intercepted a milestones this year," assertlot of passes and that's when ed Bowman. "I don't think you start to feel really good. people thought we would be

where we are right now."

Bowman recognizes it will ... be dilficult for his team to get the Prep B title with powerful Rutgers Prep in 5 the way.

"Rutgers Prep is always tough for us; we have to overcome that big mountain," added Bowman, whose team has been seeded lourth in? the Prep B tournament and? will host No. 5 Saddle Riveron February 9 in an opening round contest.

"I think we are a dilferent 🛭 team than when we played ? them before, If I have all my bodies at full strength, It should be an interesting \$ game."

In any event, Bowman belleves he has held the team's 2 Interest. "We are making progress," said Bowman.

Every day they learn; they try dilferent things. They take criticism so well, all of them. They like to work with me, I like that."

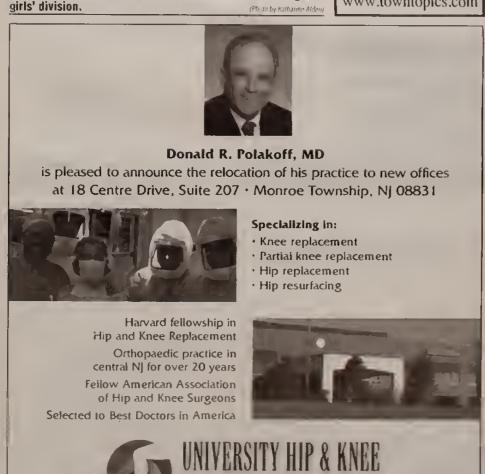
Baker, for her part, likes Stuart's chances to do something special come tournament time.

"I think we are really excited about this team," said Baker. "Coming Into this season, we knew we were going to be different. We are definitely freshman and right thing and we need that. sophomore based; we have I think we would be a better so much talent in those classes. I know we have the skills to go lar. It's just whether or not the defense

> And having one tough senior like Baker in the lineup is working out well for Stu-

> > -Bill Alden





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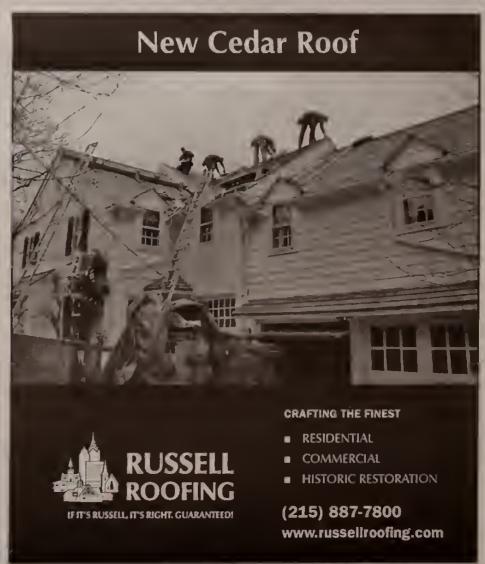
younger sister, Olivia, a fifth grader at Johnson Park School,

lake a break during a recent practice for their Dillon Youth

Baskelball League team. The older Lutz played in the league

when she was in grade school and is now coaching Olivia on

the Mason, Griffin & Pierson team in Dillon's 4th/5th grade



#### PHS

Girls' Basketball: Despite a big game by Rachel Basie, HPHS fell 58-46 to Ewing last Friday. Basie poured in 20 Spoints as the Little Tigers dropped to 0-17 on the Season. PHS will take part in the Burlington/Mercer County Challenge on February 9 before starting play an the Mercer County Tour-🗓 nament.

Girls' Hockey: A goal by & Gabby Vukasin with 17 seconds left in regulation gave PHS a 1-1 tie with Holton Arms (Md.) last Sunday in

a game played in Fox Chapel near Pittsburgh, Pa. in upcoming action, the Little Tigers, now 8-8-1, play at Princeton Day School on February 6 and at Summit on February 10.

Wrestling: PHS placed 13th of 14 teams in the Mercer County Tournament last weekend. Individual standouts for PHS included David Kirkenir, the fourth place finisher at 140 pounds. and Corey Marsh, who took fifth at 119. Andrew Pelle was sixth at 145 while Stephen Perna was sixth In the heavyweight class. PHS will next be in action when lt wrestles at Robbinsville High on February 6.

#### Hun

Boys' Hockey: A goal from Harry Blackburn was not enough as Hun fell 3-1 to WW/P-N last Friday. The loss dropped Hun to 7-9. After playing at Morristown-Beard on February 5 in the state Prep semifinals, the Raiders host Princeton High on February 8.

#### **PDS**

Girls' Basketball: Led by Tiffany Patterson and Han-nah Epstein, PDS topped Lawrenceville 48-41 last Thursday, Freshman center Patterson scored 21 points and had seven rebounds while senior guard Epstein netted 19 points. In upcoming action, PDS, now 10-10, will host Moorestown Friends on February 8 in addition to competing in the state Prep A tournament. The Panthers, seeded No. 3 in the Prep A tourney, will host sixth-seeded Blair on February 9. The winner will play second-seeded Hun on February 13 in the Prep A

Girls' Ice Hockey: Despite a big game from junior goalie Bryanna Mayes, PDS fell 4-1 to Shady Side (Pa.) last Sunday. Mayes recorded 39 saves as the Panthers moved to 7-10-1 on the season. PDS hosts Princeton High on February 6 before playing at Morristown-Beard on February 12.

#### Lawrenceville

Boys' Basketball: Despite a big effort from Brendan Galloway, Lawrenceville fell 70-64 to Monmouth Academy last Saturday. Galloway scored 19 points as the Big Red moved to 9-8 on the season. In upcoming action, the Big Red host Valley Forge on February 6 and play at Church Farm School on February 7. Lawrenceville will also start play in the Prep A tournament. The sixth-seeded Big Red play at No. 3 Peddie on February 9 with winner playing at second-seeded Blair on February 13 in the semis.

Boys' Hockey: Keith Campbell led the way as Lawrenceville beat Shady Side Academy (Pa.) 3-1 last Saturday. Campbell scored two goals as the Big Red moved to 6-10-3 on the season. Lawrenceville hosts the Delbarton School on February 6 and Albany Academy on February 9.



TITLE CHANCE: Princeton Day School boys' hockey senior star Clint O'Brien controls the puck in a game earlier this season. Last Monday, D'Brien had a goal and three assists as POS topped Pennington 7-2 in the state Prep semis. Mike Darrar scored five goals for PDS which improved to 11-3-2 with the win. The Panthers advance to the February 13 title game where they will lace the winner of the Hun-Morristown Beard semifinal clash. In addition, the Panthers host Morris Knolls on February 6 and Holy Ghost on February 8.

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For many, dissolving a marriage or ending a cohabitive relationship can be the most difficult event in a person's life. Not only is there an emotional impact on all parties involved hot, edtentimes, unraveling the property and financial ties between two people can be complicated and overwhehiting. Although there may be no way to prepare queself for the psychological effect such an experience can have on you, there is a way to fessen the linancial impact: prepare yourself with a pre-marital or pre-cohabitation agreement.

A pre-marital agreement, also known as a preunptial or nute-amptial agreement, is a written contract entered into by two people prior to their marriage. Such an agreement anticipates the various financial and property issues which may arise during the relationship and which mist be resolved between the parties of the relationship. were to end. Lakewise, a pre-cohabitation agreement is a contract similar to a pre-marital agreement entered into by two people who intend to collabit, but will not be legally married.

In New Jersey, both types of agreements may be recognized as binding, enforceable contracts provided, by and large, that the parties fully disclose their assets and income to each other, that they enteranto the agreement freely and voluntarily (that is, neither party is coerced or under duress to sign the agreement); and that each party has had the advice of competent counsel as to his or lier rights and/or obligations under the ngreenieut. Generally, such agreements anticipate the disposition of a couple's property and assets. if they were to separate, divorce or end their relationship

For example, such an agreement may plan for how property (including hquid assets, retirementassets, real property and other tangible property). acquired by the couple during their relationship. either jointly or individually, would be divided between them upon a dissolution of their relationship, It can also secure certain assets for the parties' children from prior relationships, keeping them free from interference by the other party. Additionally, a pre-marital or precohabitation agreement may speak to the comple's future linaucial lives after their relationship ends, such as whether one party will be financially supported by the other, flow much support will be paid and for how long. Also, it is common for a pre-marital or pre-cohabitation agreement to define the couple's individual assets prior to their marriage or cohahitation, and to specify how such property will be treated and disposed of between

them in the event the relationship ends.

Because pre-marital and pre-ediabitation agreements anticipate and attempt to resolve issues that may arise between two people if their relationship were to end prior to such an end, such agreements are advantageous to people facing a dissolution of their relationship. They clearly lay out the intentions of the parties concerning their finances and property, and can avoid the tensions and uncertainties inherent in negotiating a settlement agreement incident to a dissolution. Furthermore, such agreements can reduce the involvement of the courts in parties' lives if they are unable to resolve their differences between themselves

The New Jersey courts long have recognized the benefits of pre-marital and pre-cohabitation agreements in that they are negotiated when a relationship is at its peak, and presumably when the parties are less likely to be gnarded with each other. In this regard, courts generally will honor agreements between a comple and will uphold such agreements voluntarily negotiated by parties provided there was a full disclusure of the parties' assets and incomes, and each of the parties had the advice of competent counsel.

Although you and your partner are free to enter into a pre-marital or pre-cohabitation agreement without the involvement of attorneys, an agreement drafted by an attorney and entered into by the parties upon the advice of independent counsel is preferable, and more likely to be hinding on the parties. Attorneys family la to advise you as to the current laws governing such agreements and their enforceability, as well as the benefits and drawbacks to you of entering uito such an agreement with your partner. But remember at is essential that each party considt with an attorney of his or her own so that the agreement reached is one that is balanced and fair to both parties

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The 13-Prep program is designed to ease the players' introduction to the bigger field. The league encourages all lormer Little Leaguers to try at least one season playing on a major-league sized diamond. The players will only play games against other teams and leagues with 13 year-old players.

PCBRL also ofler a Majors division for 14-15 year olds, designed to advance the level of play for players who have already experienced one year ol playing on the bigger lield.

To register or to get more details about the programs, log onto the league's website at www.leaguelineup.com/ pcbrl. Deadline for registration is February 29.

**PGSA Softball League Starting Registration** 

Registration is now open for the Princeton Girls Softball Association's (PGSA) upcoming 2008 season.

The program will include the following leagues: a T-Ball Division - 5- and 6year-olds; Rookie Division - 7- and 8-year-olds; Minor

Division - 9- and 10-yearolds; Major Division - 11and 12-year-olds; and a Junior Division 13-15-year-

All girls wanting to play in the minor and major divisions will be required to attend evaluations which will take place in early March. The purpose of the evaluations is to make the teams lairly balanced.

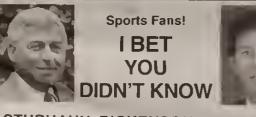
The fees for the divisions are as lollows: T-Ball-\$30 il paid before February 22 and \$45 therealter; Rookies-\$65 belore February 22 and \$100 therealter; Minors-\$85 belore February 22 and \$100 therealter; Majors-\$85 before February 15 and \$100 therealter; Junior-\$95 belore February 15 and \$110 thereafter.

The team unilorms are included in the registration fee; jerseys, shorts, visors, and socks will be provided lor all players.

The PGSA is planning to hold free clinics with those programs to take place in February through the March.

Team practices are scheduled to start the first week ol April with regular season games beginning in mid-April and running to Memorial Day.

Rookies will play and practice on Tuesday and Thursday. Minors will play and practice on Monday, Wednesday, and/or Friday, Majors will play on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and/or Saturday mornings. All games will be scheduled to start at 6 p.m. on week nights or 9 a.m. on weekends. T-ball will play on Sundays at 3 p.m.,



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The team is also holding practices at the Princeton High School gym during the winter that are open to anyone interested in joining the team. Prospective players interested in participating or learning more ahout the team should contact Paul Gray at pgray@starcite.

Princeton Little League **Sets Tryout Schedule** 

Mandatory tryouis for the upcoming 2008 Princeton Little League baseball season will be held February 23 at the Hun School of Princeton from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. lor players in the B Minor, A Minor, and Major divisions.

Players' ages are calculated for Little League from April 30. The league ages are as lollows: T-ball 5-6, Instructional 6-7, B Minor 7-9, A Minor 9-11, and Majors—win. Thomas Moore had 12 11-12. Children need to be points and Max Tarter added

at least seven-years-old by eight in the loss. The Lak-April 30 to play In B Minor (player pitch), eight-year-olds play in B Minor, 10year-olds play in A Minor, Dowers added 10. and 12-year-olds play in the

Players must be registered to take part in the tryouts. Visit the league's website for more details at www. princetonlittleleague.com. Scholarships are available by contacting Sean Clancy at seclancy@comcast.net.

#### Travel Basketball Recent Results

The Princeton Recreation Department's Under-13 boys' travel basketball team lost to Ewing 53-28 last weekend. Ellis Bloom scored live points and Nate File grabbed seven rebounds to lead Princeton.

#### **Dillon Youth Basketball** February 2 Results

In action last Saturday in the 4th/5th grade boys division of the Dillon Youth Basketball League, Nicholas Wey scored 10 points and Owen Smith added eight as the Rockets topped the Spurs 24-23. Elllot Dolan had eight points in the

Chris Diver scored six points and Malik Thompson added five as the Kings topped the Sonics 20-12,

In other action in the division, the Suns lopped the Clippers 30-10 as Juan Carlos Silva led a balanced scoring attack with six points. Matt Lainbert, Samuel Smal-Izman, Christopher Sordan, Cal Fullerton and Duncan McGregor added lour points apiece in the win. Robert Mooney scored 12 points and Benjamin Grass added nine as the Trallblazers topped the Jazz 42-30. Ben Segal and Tominy Kang added eight points apiece in the

ers deleated the Mavericks 41-24, as Noah Wasserman scored 12 points and Mike

The boys' 6th/7th grade division saw Lior Levy score 13 points as St. John's topped Notre Dame 40-28. Chris Glazer and Ben Smal-Izman added eight points apiece in the win. In other games in the division, West Virginia topped Georgetown 36-18 as Will Flemer scored 11 points and Marc Stern added nine. Pittsburgh topped Rutgers 42-20 as Vinny Osorio scored 14 points and Will Ezekowitz added 10. Jordan Lerner had 10 points and Peter Schulman added eight points in the loss. Syracuse nipped Seton Hall, 24-20, as Robert vonderSchmidt had eight points and Javon Pannell added six. Matthew Vieten had 10 points in the loss. Matthew Corrado scored 10 points as Villanova topped Connecticut, 28-25. Elliot Golden had nine points and Peter Mahotiere added eight in the loss,

In the boys' 8th/9th grade division, Patrick Lynch led balanced scoring attack with eight points as lano's Rosticerria edged Princeton Petronello 31-29 In overtime. Will Kelmlg had seven points, while Mike Manley and Owen Karsen added six points aplece. Jellrey Batt had 10 points in a losing cause while Sam Colien and Oliver Pimley added six

points apiece. Alex Gun- & stensen scored eight points as Princeton Amoco topped Woodwinds, 34-21. Eamon & Cuddy had 11 points in the 5 loss. Caliper Farms beat Princeton PBA 32-10 as Luke Cordonnier scored 123 points and Henry Hamati added eight. Stephen Goldsmith and Alex Bauman 2 had three points apiece in 🕏

In games in the 4th/5th≤ grade girls' division, Olivia Lutz and Mia Levy scored lour points apiece as Mason, SGriffin & Pierson topped Princeton Dental Group, 12-11. Mary Sutton had & live points and Caleigh Dwyer added four in the loss. Mira Shane scored nine N points as Vincent Baldino and Brothers topped Princeton Shopping Center 11-4. Katelyn Hojiebane had lour

The 6th-9th grade girls' division saw Hannah Hargove score 10 points and Katherine Comly and Julia Depp add six aplece as GR Murray Insurance topped Mack-Cali 28-12. Susan Farrell scored 14 points as American Sew/Vac topped Princeton Orthopedics, 34-13. Madison Luther and Louise Eisenach had eight points aplece in the win. Jules Healy had eight.

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#### Clubs

The Princeton Storytelling Circle will meet from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12 in the Story Room on the third floor of the Princeton Public Library. Children 8 years old and above and adult listeners are welcome to attend.

Joe Dudis of Bound Brook will be the featured storyteil-Ber. Mr. Dudis has toid tall tales, folk tales, ghost stories, and literary stories to children and adults in New Jersey and Pennsylvania for 18 years.

The Princeton Storytelling Circle includes both professional and amateur tellers from the greater Princeton area. The group meets the second Tuesday of the month from September through June at the Princeton Public Library.

The Amateur Astronomers Association of Princeton will meet on Tuesday, February 12 in the main lecture hall of Peyton Hail on the Princeton University campus at 8 p.m. The speaker will be Dr. Jerry Sellwood, who will discuss "The Dark Side of The Universe."

Dr. Sellwood completed his Ph.D. in astronomy at Manchester University, England in 1977. A member of the faculty at Rutgers Uni-versity since 1991, he has previously held positions at the European Southern Observatory, Groningen University in The Netherlands, Cambridge University, and the Space Telescope Science Institute in Baltimore. His main interests are structure and evolution of galaxies, their formation and their dark matter content. He has published over 90 papers and delivered more than 40 invited lectures at international conferences.

The Amateur Astrono Complete meeting details mers Association of and directions may be found Princeton will meet on at www.princetonastronomy.

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The Princeton Senior Resource Center will host a Science Café on Friday, February 15 at 2 p.m. at the Suzanne Patterson Building. The topic will be "How Bacteria Communicate."

Cell to cell communication in bacteria involves the production, release and subsequent detection of chemical signaling molecules called autoinducers. The process, called quorum sensing, allows bacteria to regulate gene expression on a population-wide scale. Research is now focused on the development of therapies that interfere with quorum sensing to control bacterial virulence.

The discussion will be facilitated by Bonnie Bassler, Ph.D., the Squibb Professor of Molecular Biology at Princeton University.

Science Café is a forum for discussing important current topics of science. All are welcome to participate, regardless of their scientific knowledge or experience. To register, call the Princeton Senior Resource Center at (609) 924-7108.

The Central Jersey Dance Society will sponsor a Salsa Sensation dance on Saturday, February 16 at the Suzanne Patterson Center. A beginner-intermediate Salsa lesson will be offered at 7:30 p.m.; salsa, mambo, cha cha, bachata, and merengue dancing will follow from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Admission will be \$11, with students \$8.

For more information, visit www.centraljerseydance.org or call (609) 945-1883.

Soroptimist International of Princeton will hold a dinner meeting on Tuesday, February 19 at 7 p.m. at the Nassau Club, 6 Mercer Street. The speaker will be Ann Bauersachs from The Cross and Shamrock. A business meeting will follow

Plans are being made for the Spring Fashion Show to be held at the Princeton Elks on Saturday, May 10.

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The West Windsor Lions Club will hold its annual art auction on Saturday, March 1 at 7 p.m. at the Dutch Neck Fire House, South Mill Road, West Windsor. Guests may browse the art from 6 to 7 p.m. Wine, cheese, hors

d'oeuvres, dessert, and coffee will be served during the event.

The auction will benefit a number of charities in the Mercer County area and beyond. The club also contributes scholarships to collegebound seniors in the WW-P high schools.

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#### **Obituaries**

#### Deena Cottini

Alexandra "Deena" Cottini, 89, of Tucson, Ariz., formerly of Princeton, died January 15 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Tucson.

She was a graduate of Princeton High School and an alumna of Rider University, class of 1966. Formerly an assistant to the controller of Princeton University, she moved to Tucson following her retirement in 1980.

Sister of the late Louisa A. Cottinl of Tucson and Julia C. Dorsey of Trenton, she is survived by several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grand nephews, including Faith Bahadurian of Princeton and Mark Bahadurian of Monmouth Junction.

Memorial contributions may be made to Our Mother of Sorrow Church, 1800 South Kolb Road, Tucson, Ariz. 85710; or to the Old Pueblo Lapidary Club, 3118 North Dale Avenue, Tucson, Ariz. 85712.

#### Mary Lee Griffith

Mary Lee Griffith, 93, of Princeton, died January 20 at Acorn Glen.

She was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., where she was raised and schooled, and where she was employed by Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, assisting engineering professors and students with their technical writings. She spent her retirement in Princeton. where she became an active member of Nassau Presbyterian Church.

In retirement she enthusiastically sought out academic talks, including those by Professor George Inglebrandt. She also enjoyed volunteer activities that involved learning and helping.

She is survived by a nephew, John Griffith Jr., and a niece, Barbara Evans.

A private interment will be held at the Calvary Episcopal Church in Summit, N.J. for the family.

Arrangements were by The Kimble Funeral Home.

#### **Walter Kim Foster**

Walter Kim Foster of Princeton died January 19 of liver failure at the University Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Princeton, he was educated in the Princeton schools, graduating from Princeton High School with the class of 1970. After attending the University of Bridgeport, he entered an entrepreneurial life as a home improvement specialist and itinerant musician. He learned wood crafting and cabinetry from his father, Walter B. Foster Jr. His personal specialties were wallpaper and painting.

An avid musician and accomplished guitarist, Mr. Foster was known for his dedication to the Grateful Dead, whose members he knew. He was a proud founding member of The Midnight Sun, a band that played Grateful Dead music. Musicians were always welcome at his parties, where The Midnight Sun played Grateful Dead songs and lasting friendships were made.

Predeceased by his father, he is survived by his mother, Araxy K. Foster of Princeton; a sister, Penelope K. Foster of Manhattan; and a brother, J. Drew Foster of Ringoes and Emmet, Ne-

A memorial service will be held this Sunday, February 10 at 1:30 p.m. at Nassau Presbyterian Church. Interment will be at the Princeton Cemetery.

the direction of The Mather- Home. Hodge Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be sent to America's Keswick, a faith-based addiction recovery center, at 601 Route 530, Whiting, N.J. 08759-3501.

#### Lisa L. Johnson

Lisa L. Johnson, 59, of West Windsor, died January 30 in the University Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Worcester, Mass., she lived in East Windsor from 1977 to 1985 before moving to West Windsor.

She was a graduate of Wachusette High School in Worcester, Mass. and the New **England Deaconess Hospital** School of Nursing, where she received her degree as a RN. She worked as a RN at Memorial Hospital in Worcester, Mass., then taught nursing at Mary Hitchcock School of Nursing in Hanover, N.H. Until her recent illness she worked the last five years in the operating room at the University Medical Center at Princeton.

She was a member of the Princeton United Methodist

Daughter of the late Louise and Arthur Sjosten, she is survived by her husband, Jerry L. Johnson, and a brother, David A. Sjosten of Worcester.

The funeral was February 2 at the Princeton United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Grove Cemetery in Holden,



Douglas M. Rhoda

Douglas M. Rhoda, of Skillman Lord on January 28, 2008. He was born on Staten Island, NY June 24,1937

Son of the late Matthew and Margaret Rhoda, he served in the U.S. Army for 2 years. He attended Rutgers University where he developed a love for tarming. He was employed by Proctor & Gamble and several other companies as a salesman before starting his own company

In 1994, he began another company, Top Knobs USA, Inc. which now employs many local residents. He was a charter member of the Montgomery Evangelical Free Church in Belle Mead and served on many school, camp, mission, seminary and district boards both domestic and international. His personal mission was to advance the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Surviving are his wife of 48 years, Susan; son Kurt & wife. Sharon; son Erik & wife, Brenda, grandchildren, Matthew, Whitney, Kaitlyn and Hannah; and brother Curus. He was predeceased by son, George.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 2.

Donations may be made to the Somerset Medical Center Foundation, Somerville, NJ.

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In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Multiple Sclerosis National Society Mid Jersey Chapter, 246 Monmouth Road, Ocean Township, N.J. 07712; or to Princeton United Methodist Church Memorial Fund, 7 Vandeventer Avenue, Princeton 08542.

Arrangements were by Arrangements are under the Mather-Hodge Funeral

#### Carol B. Steinberg

Carol Bruber Steinberg. 74, of Missoula, Montana, formerly of Princeton, died of cancer January 23 at a nursing home in Missoula.

Born In St. Paul, Minn., she attended Carleton College and the University of Minnesota. In 1956 she married Malcolm S. Steinberg and moved with him to Baltimore, where she received a bachelor's degree in elementary education from McCoy College of Johns Hopkins University. The Steinbergs moved to Princeton in

After a divorce in 1982, she left Princeton. She spent the last five years in Missoula.

She is survived by four children, Jeffery of Hinsdale, Ill., Julie of Turner's Falls, Mass... Eleanor of Missoula, and Catherine of Oakland, Calif.; a brother, Bradley, of St. Louis Park, Minn.; and two grandchildren.

#### Ernest F. Johnson Jr.

Ernest F. Johnson Jr., 89, of Freeport, Maine, formerly of Princeton, died February 2 in Freeport, surrounded by family. He had a distinquished career as professor of chemical engineering at Princeton University from 1948 to 1986. He moved to Freeport in 2005.

Earning his B.S. from Lehigh in 1940 and his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1949, Dr. Johnson focused his career on process dynamics and control, thermodynamic and kinetic properties of fluids and fluidsolid systems, technological aspects of nuclear fusion power development, and hazardous waste management. He authored more than 80 publications and was closely affiliated with the Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory. His teaching abilities and service to Princeton University and the wider scientific community earned him wide recognition, including being elected a Fellow of the

Advancement of Science.

He was a ruling elder of the Presbyterian Church, USA and a charter member of the adult choir of Nassau Presbyterian Church, A pianist and organist, he served as assistant organist to the Stonington (Maine) Methodist Church. He also enjoyed sailing and spending time with family in his summer home in Stonington.

Predeceased by his wife, M. Ruth McMullin Johnson, and his oldest son, David S. Johnson, he is survived by his children Carolyn Johnson Walton of Freeport, Malne, Arthur Johnson of Portland, Maine, and Melissa Johnson of Georgetown, Texas; and five grandchildren.

#### Miriam L. Summerskill

Miriam LaFollette Summerskill, 90, of Harlingen, died January 31 of natural causes at her home at LaFollette Vineyard in Harlingen. The founder of LaFollette Vineyard, she was a prolific writer and memolrist.

She celebrated her 90th birthday this past June surrounded by family and friends who toasted her life, gave speeches, read poems, and sang songs.

With her husband, Dr. John Summerskill, she founded La-Follette Vinevard and Wineru in the 1970s in Belle Mead. Her Seval Blanc wine won numerous awards and was served at the White House, the National Gallery, Drumthwacket, and Prospect House at Princeton University. The annual grape harvest at La-Follette Vineyard was a combined work and social event

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For a number of years the Summerskills' vineyard was an active center for political and policy discussions among friends, relatives, professors, scholars, ambassadors, and political candidates. During the 1992 Presidential Campaign, Gov. Florio hosted Bill Clinton and 16 other governors for a strategy session at LaFollette Vineyard.

Spending a number of years In Greece at Athens College, where Dr. Summerskill was president, Mrs. Summerskill was involved in the creation of the Athens College Theater, considered the finest in Athens at the time of its completion. She also founded and served as president of InterALP of Princeton, an educational program which sent high school students abroad for semester-long work-study experiences; served on the Board of MSM; was a familiar figure at Communiversity; and was a member of the Nassau Club.

The author of several books - Aegeon Summer, Seduced By A Greek Island, The Land of Solomon and Sheba, and Doughter of the Vine - she also wrote numerous magazine and newspaper articles from various locations around the globe during her travels to more that 80 countries over seven decades.

As a young woman, she hosted a radio show for NBC from Honolulu, and in the 1950s hosted several shows for KQED in San Francisco during the early years of educational television.

Born In Moscow, Idaho she grew up in Colfax, Washington, where her father was a

lawyer and prosecutor for a Whitman County and a member of the state legislature.

A 1941 graduate of Stanford University, Mrs. Summerskill 3 settled near the University after her husband, Richard & Urquhart Wright, completed his World War II military his World War II military & service. She raised her five machildren in Menlo Park, Calif., was active in a number of organizations, and started several businesses. In the late several businesses. In the late  $\lesssim$  1960s she married Dr. John  $\Box$ Summerskill, then president of San Francisco State University, with whom she moved. to Ethiopia and Athens before # settling in Harlingen.

She is survived by five schildren, Richard LaFollette Wright, Helen Urquhart Bodel, and Wendy LaFollette Wright, all of Princeton, Willlam Urquhart Wright of Harlingen, and Robert LaFollette Wright of Hopewell; and eight grandchildren.

#### Religion

#### Princeton Seminary Given Important Book Collection

The family of the Very Reverend Professor Thomas F. Torrance (1913-2007) has donated his books, personal papers, and manuscripts to the special collections of the Princeton Theological Seminary Libraries. This working library from a noted Reformed theologian represents a major gift to the Seminary.

The Rev. Torrance was a frequent visitor to the Seminary campus and acted as an informal advisor and confidant to several of its presidents. His younger son, laln R. Torrance,

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"T.F. Torrance was a towering figure among contemporary theologians," said Clifford Anderson, the Seminary Libraries curator of special collections. "We are absolutely delighted to have retion of letters, manuscripts, sermons, and reading files. This collection will attract scholars worldwide to the Seminary Libraries.

T.F. Torrance was born in 1913 in Chengtu, China. He received his B.D. from the University of Edinburgh in 1937. He studied with Karl Barth at the University of Basel in 1937-38, subsequently completing his doctoral thecelved this invaluable collec- sis under his direction in

1946. In the Second World War, Torrance served as a chaplain in the British Army during its Middle Eastern and Italian campaigns. After serving as a parish pastor, he was appointed to the Chair of Church History at the University of Edinburgh in 1950. Two years later, he accepted the Chair of Christian Dogmatics, which he occupied until his retirement in 1979. He was a prolific author on a wide range of subjects, including patristics, ecumenical theology, Scottish church history, and the relation between theology and science. He was also the coeditor of the English translation of Karl Barth's Church Dogmatics. He was awarded the prestigious Templeton Prize in 1978.

The donated library contains approximately 4,000 volumes, with nearly 1,000 books dating from the 18th century or earlier, and a number of volumes on Scottish Reformation theology.

The collection must be organized and described before it can be made accessible. The Department of Special Collections will employ a professional archivist to prepare the collection for researchers. "We expect that the collection will be open to the public by late 2009," said

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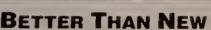


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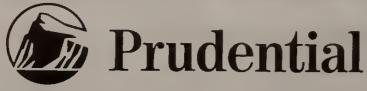




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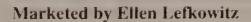


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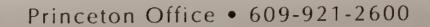


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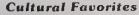
Teddings with multi- Hungarian, Japanese and ceremonies with the mayor cultural overtones Swedish, or inter-racial. In- officiating; others are in are on the rise in the creasingly, these weddings a church or synagogue, tages represent.

There are as many ways clergy officiating. toms. It may be Asian and to achieve this as there are weddings. Some are civii

celebrate the cultural diver- sometimes, if the bride and sity that the different heri- groom are of different faiths, with two members of the

Blending the two cultures is not always easy, but popular approach is emphasizing one culture at the wedding ceremony and the other at the reception. At the ceremony, care is taken to ensure that the attire, words, music, decorations, and procedures adhere to the culture of either the bride or groom. If the culture of the bride is the focus at the ceremony, then the groom's heritage is emphasized at the reception. Food, entertainment, and toasts that reflect his cultural background are prominent.

Other couples choose to blend both heritages throughout the wedding. This way, neither family feels left out of any part of the event. There are many ways to accomplish this. For example, consider having both the bride and groom dress in the traditional attire of one of the partners but have them enter the ceremony to traditional music of the other. A variation on this idea is for the bride to dress according to her cultural customs while the groom dresses according to his. This can symbolize the joining of the two cultures with the union of the Individuals.



Inter-cultural weddings can also be blended at the reception in several ways. One is to serve foods that relate to to one culture and provide entertainment unique to the other. Other couples opt to blend their cultures in more subtle ways. For example, serving

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**ELEGANT BOUQUET: Susan Fogwell of Biue Thistle Fioral trav**eled to Santa Barbara California for this destination wedding. The stems in this bouquet are completely wrapped to create a very elegant look. Ms. Fogwell is currently teaching a floral design class for the Princeton Adult School.





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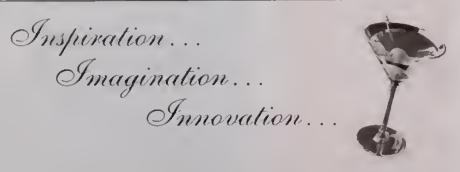
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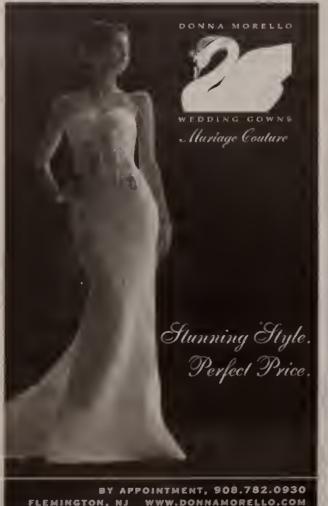
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a buffet-style dinner with cultural favorites of both heritages, and having two bands: one specializing in the heritage of the bride and one to represent the groom's. This not only will unite the families but can also serve to ensure that the entertainment never stops. Many live bands play for about 20 minutes and then take a break. This way, the two bands could alternate the music, and there will never be a dull moment at the reception!

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"it is especially important to brides and grooms of differing ethnicities to make sure that their wedding celebration includes details that reflect their cultural background," points out Joy Allen, Main Street's assistant director of catering. "It is our goal to help couples plan a wedding reception that is a reflection of who they are and incorporating their cultures is often an integral part of celebrating their special day.

"For example, at the wedding of a bride whose family is from the Dominican Republic and a groom whose family is from Taiwan, the cocktail hour will feature blood orange ceviche served on Asian spoons, sugarcane filet of beef with ponzu dipping sauce, and seared duck breast on cuminscented wafers topped with mango chutney.

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#### Russian Band

throughout the event, such as table.

that of a bride whose family hailed from Russia," adds Ms. Allen. "With cocktails, we planned a station with small buckwheat blini, chefprepared to order and served hot off the griddle with toppings of imported caviar, smoked salmon, and smoked trout. A Russian band played exuberantly during dinner, and alternated with a DJ later in the evening when the crowd hit the dance floor. The final touch was a shot glass at every guest's "it's lovely when a reception place setting, and icy bottles features ethnic touches of vodka brought to each

If inter-cultural weddings are held in a house of worship or other religious setting, premarital counseling by ciergy is frequently an important part of the days and weeks leading up to the ceremony. I meet with couples three times and discuss the issues," notes the Reverend John Heinsohn, pastor of Kingston Prebyterian Church.

"Most of the time the couples i see, whatever their cultural or ethnic backgrounds, are looking for a ceremony in the Presbyterian tradition. We try to cover the different

areas that are issues. It depends on the situation and what is driving the marriage. Sometimes it could even be the immigration issue. Also, one person may be divorced. Are there children from that marriage? How will this be handled?"

The Reverend Heinsohn has officiated at weddings for American and Indian couples, Indian and Chinese, and American and Hispanic, as well as for Christian and Jewish couples and Protestant and Catholic couples.

In some cases, a clergy member from another faith, including a rabbi and a Catholic deacon, participated in the ceremony. "In the Catholic-Protestant wedding, the couple wanted a Catholic presence, and a deacon took part, including for the blessing of the rings," says Mr. Heinsohn. "We have a very traditional Presbyterian wedding service, but there is a certain amount of flexibility. Often, family members of the couple feel that their tradition should be represented, so that faith, for instance, is being



their Jewish or Catholic TOASTING THE UNION: Karen McLean photographs the couple after the ceremony as they toast their union.

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THE HAPPY COUPLE: Prior to the civil union ceremony, the couple is photographed in a tarm setting by Karen McLean.

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honored."

He adds that in nearly all these weddings, the families are very respectful of the other party's religion and tradition. "Overall, these weddings are very positive and hopeful.

#### Overwhelming Gratitude

That has also been the experience of the Reverend Lauren McFeaters, associate pastor of Nassau Presbyterian Church, who has performed a number of interfaith and inter-cultural weddings. "The overlying feeling I have seen on the part of the couple is overwhelming gratitude for finding one another. Most of the inter-cultural couples that I see are older in their 30s, 40s, or 50s. These are mature adults who in Princeton, also serves have thought about their as chapiain at Holy Trinity have thought about their decision.

Nevertheless, counseling is very important, she points out. "Counseling is the proving ground of what is going to happen next. I meet them four to six times before the wedding for an hour to an hour and a half. The first session is getting to know them. I always ask how they met each other and how they arrived at the decision to marry. Then, we can talk about issues, such as if they plan to have children and, what the impact of international travel, visiting relatives far away, etc. would be for the children.

Also, adds Ms. McFeaters, she stresses that the marriage ceremony is a religious event. "It Is first and foremost a service of worship, with sacred music and prayers. We do not have secular music. We do try to be flexible if the couple has special things they'd like to include.

She notes that most often one person has been actively Presbyterian. "The other could be an agnostic or someone who attended church long ago, but hasn't been involved recently. Most of the time, the other person has worshipped with his or her intended, so they feel comfortable enough to marry in the church.'

Sicilian and Irish American, italian and Italian-American, English and American are among the nationalities of couples whom the Reverend McFeaters has married. "I recently married a Japanese bride (a member of the church) and a Swedish groom. It was wonderful. She wore a beautiful dress, but with some aspects of Japanese attire, and

members of her family wore traditional Japanese apparel, including kimonos.

Welcoming the families to the church is very important, adds the Reverend. "In intercultural weddings, especially, am very sensitive to families feeling welcome. It's Important that the sanctuary is a very welcoming place for someone who may never have been in a Christian church or a Protestant church.

#### Beautiful Variety

"The inter-cultural weddings reinforce my deep understanding of God's wideness in embracing all these couples. God has created such a beautiful variety of people, and I am so glad these couples find each other.'

The Reverend Peter K. Stimpson, executive director of Trinity Counseling Service Episcopal Church in Spring Lake. In that capacity, he has married inter-cultural and inter-faith couples, with

a focus on those of interfaith.

Like the Reverends Heinsohn and McFeaters, he emphasizes the marriage as a religious ceremony. "It is important for the couple to see this as a sacrament. I help them with that. Sometimes, because we're in Spring Lake, people might think this is a nice place to be - let's get married on the beach. That's fine, but they need to know the wedding service is a sacrament.

Counseling is part of this, he explains. "I usually see the couple twice for two hours, depending on the situation. Whether it's a Christian-Jewish couple or Protestant-Catholic, there can be issues. Some have thought it through, and others haven't.

"If it's a second marrlage," he continues, "there can be children and step-children, ex-spouses. These are all part of the equation."

In the case of a first

marriage, the Reverend ? Stimpson points out that . the couple should definitely a consider the role of faith & in their future and that any family issues regarding  $\frac{9}{2}$  the different religions be  $\frac{9}{2}$ resolved. "Will they go to church? Which one? How will the children be raised? My concern is to help them think it through. Also, what is the attitude of 를 the couple's parents? Arethey comfortable with the different religions? If they're not happy with the couple's decision, there can be stress? in the family, and you don't want to start the wedding with families being upset. These are the things we try to deal with in counseling."

#### **Wedding Cakes**

Other issues can emerge as wedding plans progress, he adds. "For example, I have found that if one parent has been dominant, and the son or daughter's fiancé is assertive, there can be clashes. In one case,

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one family had relatives who made wedding cakes. The other family didn't want their cake, and it caused a problem.

"Similarly, in another wedding, the mother-of-the-bride wanted particular music, and the bride wanted something else. All this has to be talked through, or there can be resentment.

The Reverend Stimpson has officiated at a number of weddings with clergy of other faiths, including a Roman Catholic priest and a rabbi. "These have been very successful," he reports. "When the attitude of the host parish is enthusiastic, it can be very positive. It's a way to show the couple that the ceremony can be a model of cooperation and understanding. It sets a very good beginning for them."

The Reverend Chase Hunt of Princeton, now retired from Princeton Theological Seminary, recalls performing numerous inter-cultural and inter-faith weddings when he was associated with churches in New York City, Michigan, and New Jersey. All were very positive experiences, he says, and there was only one about which he had some concern. "I married an Asian Christian woman to a Muslim, and the bride went to live in Iran immediately after the wedding, and I must say that I had some misgivings about that. She was a sweet girl, and I hope it all worked out. We have thought of her often. In that instance, I felt there was little I could do other than to get them off to the best start I could.

Another time, he officiated at a wedding involving a Korean woman who sang in the church choir. "Her family could not attend the wedding, and she walked down the aisle unescorted, which was different. On another occasion, I married an American man from our congregation and an Asian woman. Her family could not attend, and in that instance, I permitted a movie to be taken of the processional so her family could see it. This was quite out of the ordinary, as I did not usually allow pictures to be taken during the service.

Occasionally, despite the best intentions of all concerned, glitches can occur in inter-cultural weddings. Mr. Hunt recalls such a case some years ago with a Chinese-German wedding. "We were in the midst of the ceremony, and the best man did not handle the wedding ring as I had instructed him. Instead, he had the ring in a little box in his pocket. When I reached out toward him, expecting him to place the ring in the palm of my hand, he went into his pocket, took out the little box, opened it, and proceeded to drop the ring on the floor.

#### Joint Services

"I couldn't believe my eyes! The next thing I knew, he and two of the ushers were on their hands and knees looking for it, speaking to each other in Chinese, with all of us hoping the ring had not fallen down the heating grate on the floor of the church. Eventually, to the relief of everyone, the ring was located, and we

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#### Inter-Cultural

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without any problems. It was only afterward that I learned that the best man spoke only Chinese, and had not understood a single word of instruction I had given him if he did.

Talking with the couple before the weddings (usually in a mutually-understood language) was an important part of his responsibility, he notes, and in addition, he participated in joint services with a rabbi and Roman Catholic priest. "When clergy from other traditions participated in wedding services in my church, I always went out of my way to make them welcome and encourage them to take part in significant ways.

Some years ago, the

Reverend Hunt was asked to officiate at the marriage of a young man he knew well. The ceremony was to take place at the bride's Methodist church in Pennsylvania. Because her minister was away, Mr. Hunt was happy to accept the invitation. The even though he nodded as groom was Jewish, and the couple had discussed the differences in their religious traditions, and decided to have the wedding in the Methodist church, with a Rabbi participating.

"We were all in agreement that I would do the actual marriage, using the Presbyterian service, with only modest, if any, adjustment to it. Protestant marriage services are generally similar, and there was no problem with our use of the Presbyterian service rather than the Methodist.

"I had never met the

female rabbi who was my clergy partner in conducting this wedding until the day before the service. My wife and I picked her up at the and Township - have Princeton Junction train station, and drove to the central Pennsylvania town where the bride lived. The rabbi had come by train from New York, and was a delightful person. She was supportive in every way where the service was concerned. The ride out together gave us a good opportunity to discuss how we could conduct the service, and she was willing that I officiate over the actual marriage. She was cooperative and flexible in her approach to matters relating to her ministry and tradition.'

After a rehearsal at the church, the wedding went very smoothly the next day. "The rabbi and I wore our usual vestments," continues Mr. Hunt. "We led the — from graduate students processional, and she chanted to grandparents — and she various Jewish verses in an almost musical way that increasing. "I have been were part of her tradition, seeing more inter-cultural and that began the service marriages in the past three in a very festive manner. years, and nearly all have Once we and the wedding been positive. I feel especially party were all in place in hopeful when family members the front of the church, I led attend, including parents the formal marriage service and children from former all — after which the rabbi introduced elements typical These are occasions for of a Jewish wedding. The celebration. last of these was a tradition in which the groom breaks of Princeton Township, a glass, stamping it under agrees. "When the parents

#### **Each Tradition**

from that service with a wonderful sense that it had gone very well, that my they will work through any rabbi partner had brought problems.' a marvelous spirit to it. She carried out her part with dignity and great skill, and the couple were happy with everything — each tradition enriching the other."

In Princeton's uniquely community, due in part to Princeton University and the Institute for Advanced Study which attract people from many parts of the

globe, there are numerous opportunities for intercultural marriages. Both Mayors — Borough

officiated over many of these international unions, and are happy to have the privilege.

"It's certainly one of the pleasures of my work as mayor," reports Borough Mayor Mildred Trotman. "I enjoy doing it because of the opportunity to see people happy, to see the joy on their

Mayor Trotman has performed civil marriage ceremonies both at Borough Hall and at sites, such as the Nassau Inn, the Hyatt, Prospect House, and In private houses. American and Asian couples, interfaith, and inter-racial couples have all been married by the

She has married all ages believes such unions are - vows, rings, prayers, and marriages. Most of the time. they are totally supportive.

Phyllis Marchand, Mayor of the couple attend, I have a very good feeling about the "All in all, I came away marriage. For the most part, the enuples have so much in common that I expect

#### Princeton Connection

Mayor Marchand has performed civil ceremonies at Township Hall, as well as on the University campus, Peteranello Gardens, diverse and international Marquand Park, and in private homes. Couples whom

Brazilian and Hungarian, Greek and American, Asian and American, Hispanic and American, and inter-racial.

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There must be a Princeton connection for the couple," she notes. "People who live here, have lived here, or whose parents are here. So many different cultures come together in Princeton through the University or the Institute. There are many graduate students, but I've married all ages, including an older couple a professor emeritus in his '70s and a mature woman — on Valentine's Day. That was special."

Sometimes, friends and Day wedding! family attend the wedding,

she has married have been but that is not always possible when the family lives far away. "Then, we take a photo of the couple in front of Township Hall. near the flag, and sometimes with the mayor." says Ms. Marchand.

> 'This is a wonderful part of the job. Occasionally, friends and family of the couple will add a poem or a song to the regular service, and that provides a special note. It is a very hopeful time. It reminds me that the institution of marriage is wonderful.'

> Indeed, and both mayors report that there is still time to schedule a Valentine's

> > -Jean Stratton



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The event will begin at 11 a.m. and will end no later than 4 p.m. The fashion show by the Bridal Suite will begin at noon, and the fashion show by Bridals by Michelle Renee and Shaffer's Tailors & Men's Shop will begin at 2 p.m. Registration is suggested and required to be eligible to win prizes. For more information and to register online visit www. mercerchamber.org or call the Chamber office at (609) 689-9960. Vendors who are interested in participating in the show should contact EXPO JOE at (609)689-9960, ext. 12 or at Joe@ mercerchamber.org.

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#### Selective Approach

The planner for a recent bride's wedding created an itinerary 20 pages long! It covered every detail starting a few days before the wedding, including who was responsible for taking the cake knife back to the bride's house, who would bring the flower arrangements, who

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#### **Event Planners**

would bring the lighter to light the Unity candle, and even when the bride should eat lunch!

bride in New York opted to ning in accordance with the go all out with a planner. As couple's wishes. Most of the she described it: "I never off-premise weddings require lifted a finger. We had a tenting, valet parking, and wedding planner, and she deliveries from the liquor did everything. All t did was store, florists, entertainpick out my dress (the plan- ment and rental companies. ner even helped with that Main Street works closely too!), and show up the day with all of these vendors of the wedding.

On the other hand a mother-of-the-bride in an upcoming May outdoor wedding has decided on a selective approach, using the services of a consultant for some of the details, but allowing time for her daughter and herself to enjoy other aspects of planning the big day.

"Basically, our wedding planner is going to do all the things which are very timeconsuming and would take away from our having fun. For example, she is making silk flower bouquets to fill little white baskets which are at the end of each row of chairs for the ceremony. She is helping with the plc-nic (the day before the wedding), including hanging a piñata from one of the ramadas in the park, picking up the beer, soft drinks, ice, coolers, etc., and making sure the caterer arrives on time.

"She is making the 'emergency kit' for the wedding; that will include band-aids, sewing kit, spot remover, Benadryl (In case there are bee stings), etc. She is also arranging for each guest to get a bottle of coid water this is May in Arizona! These are just a few of the things we didn't want to do."

#### Full-Service

Also, adds the mom, "a wedding planner is supplied by the wedding venue for the reception (in our case a country club) to handle everything at the site; so our 'supplementary' planner will do a lot of things off-site.'

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When a ceremony is on the same site as the reception, Main Street helps the bridal party get down the at lunch! aisle, and coordinates the A very busy mother-of-the remainder of the day/eveto make sure the day runs smoothly. And because of

on a location, the rest falls our experience of 20 years into place. our business, Main Street can recommend reputable vendors for all areas of event planning.

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Ms. Lands adds that since most of the couples Main Street sees are working professionais, she meets them a few times in person, but much of the communication is done via email. Digital photos also come in handy when a person is planning from outside the area.

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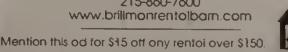
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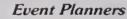




LET THE RECEPTION BEGIN: As the bride prepares to enter the reception at the Cottage Club, Lewis Kassei snaps a photograph.







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groom and families of many of the details surrounding planning a wedding is an important contribution of the wedding consultant. As Ms. Lands says, "Pianners are especially helpful when you need support with transportation arrangements and church ceremonies. It takes a committed person to ensure that things go smoothly, in particular when moving a large number of guests from a church service to a venue and arranging for shuttles. Planners also help with invitations, handle out of town guest arrangements, and tie up all those loose ends so you can enjoy your day."

Main Street Fine Catering has five full-time planners on staff. Ms. Lands and assistant director of catering Joy Allen handle most of the weddings.

it is reported that spending on weddings has doubled in the last 10 years, with an average wedding nationwide costing \$19,000 (much, much higher depending on the location), and wedding planning has become a \$160 million industry. Indeed, professional planning has become such a major part of weddings today that colleges, including George Mason University in Virginia, are now offering courses in the subject. Crisis management case studies are included, and these courses are increasingly popular.

According to the African Wedding Guide, "the role of the wedding consultant is that of a facilitator, mediator, money manager, artisan, and constructor of dreams."

In order to help your "dreams" come true, when considering a planner for a wedding or other significant event, it is important to find someone who not only is capable of managing a wide assortment of responsibilities — from handling finances to calming a nervous bride/bridegroom — but with whom you establish a congenial relationship. You could be together for a long time!

-Jean Stratton



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Caesar Salad of Red and Green Romaine with Shaved Reggiano and Croutons 8

Mixed Baby Lettuces with Lathiere's Dressing and House-Made Boursin 8

Sliced, Seared Yellowfin Trura with Wakame, Ginger, Wasabi and Cilantro-Soy Dipping Sauce 46

Lump Crabcikes with a Shoot Vegetable Slaw and Sauce Remoulade 15

Salad of Red Belgian Endive with Spieed Candied Walnus, Maytag Blue Cheese and a Sherry Vinaigrette (3.5)

Escargot in Pastry with a Black Trumpet Mushroom-Brandy Sauce 12

Poremi Mushroom Risotto 14

Baked Lamp Crab-Smiffed Scallops 15

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Seared Hudson Valley Forc Gras au Poivre with an Apple-Leek Purce 19

#### Entrees

Garganelli Pasta with Spinach, Tomaroes, Caramelized Onions, Grilled Asparagus, Olive Oil and Garlie 19

Rare, Pistachio-Crusted Yellowlin Tuna with Portobellos, Grilled Asparagus, Wilted Greens, and Lemon-Soy Butter 36

Dijon and Herb-Crusted Australian Rack of Lumb with Rousted Beets, Rambow Chard, Montrachet, and Lumb Jus. 40

Grilled Soz, Filet of Beel with Roasted Butteriut, Fingerling Potatoes, and Mishroom-Peppercorn Sauce 39

Seared Diver Scallops with Wild Mushrooms, Asparagus, Potato Pancake, & Truffle Butter Sauce 34

Honey-Roasted Duck with a Cranberry-Vegetable Spring Roll, and Hoisin Duck Sauce 29

Grilled Wild Salmon, Dill Roasted Potatoes Aspangus Tips, Corn, Leinon-Caper Butter Sauce 30

Roasted Veal Tenderloin , Serrano Ham and Fava Bean Risono, Marsala Veal Sauce 36

Shelled (80/2 Pound Maine Lobster with Salfron Fettueine, Grilled Vegetables, Tomatocs, Spinaeli, and Lemon-Creme Fraiche 40

Paii-Roasted Organic Breast of Chicken with Sweet Potato Purce Snap Peas, Crimins, and Natural Sauce 25

> Grilled Bulfalo Rib-eye Steak with Garlie Mash, Haricots Verts, and a Red Wine-Chevre Glaze 39

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